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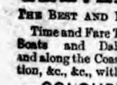

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27th "	EGYPT	7912		
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11th "	ARABIA	7903		
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25th "	PERSIA	7951		
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NERA	5,576	Schmitz	11th July "
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2	City of Carthage	3,524	" 11	" 23	Apl. 4	Apl. 11
1	Sutton Hall	4,400	" 15	Apl. 3	" 16	" 21
1	Wiston Hall	3,314	" 11	Mar. 25	" 6	" 13
1	City of Agra	4,808	Apl. 19	Apl. 29	May 11	May 18
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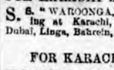

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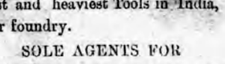
TRADE  MARK.

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1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report, Audited Balance-sheet and Profit and Loss Account, for the year ending 31st December, 1906.
2. To declare a Dividend and a Bonus.
3. To confirm the appointments of Mr. D. Gubbay and Mr. T. Powell as Directors.
4. To elect two Directors in place of those, who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.
5. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

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BOMBAY, 3RD APRIL, 1907.

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1st. To adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Balance-Sheets, and Profit and Loss Accounts for the two half years ended respectively the 30th June and 31st December, 1906.

2nd. To sanction the declaration of a Dividend for the half-year ended 31st December, 1906.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO., AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS, 211 MEADOWS STREET, FORT, BOMBAY.

SALE of Jewellery and Gold and Silver Ornaments.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE and Co. will, by order of Messrs. Jamsetji Rustomji and Davidas Attorneys for the mortgagees and on account and at the risk of the mortgagor Hargonwandas Bijwalabhdas and the heirs and legal representatives of the late Chaoubal Bijwalabhdas, the mortgagor deceased, sell by Public Auction at their Sales Room on WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of April, 1907 at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), the following :—

1 brilliant ring, heart shape.
1 diamond and emerald marquise ring.
1 pair diamond, ruby and opal earrings.
1 Do Do.
1 diamond bead, 2 2½ rati.
6 pearls, ruby and oval necklets.
1 pearl and opal collar.
1 bunch pearls.
19 reconstructed ruby rings.
1 pair diamond and reconstructed ruby ear-drops.
1 pair do. earrings.
Gold ornaments consisting of belts, neckchains, watch chains bangles, etc., weighing in all about 176 tolas.
Blocks of Marwadi Motichand Shenji and Co., sold on account and at the risk of the mortgagor, Mr. A. Felix by Nobel of the Reliance Watch Co.
2 Gold bracelets, 1 pearl mutt chain, 1 locket diamond set, 1 pair cuff buttons, 1 pair diamond ear-drops, 1 gold watch, and 1 diamond ring.

The articles will be on view two days previous to sale.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.

Bombay, 5th April, 1907.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,
No. 35, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE.

Of about 1 200 Bales and a Quantity of Loose Damaged cotton.

On Monday, the 8th instant, at 3 p.m. (Standard Time), Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at Jamsetjee Bunder Colaba, on account of the Insurance Offices concerned,

About 1,00 F. P. bales cotton, damaged by fire and water.

A large quantity of loose cotton, damaged by fire and water.

A quantity of hoop iron.

The above will be sold in lots to suit the requirements of the purchaser.

A deposit of 50 per cent. will be required on the lots being knocked down.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLES AND UNCLAIMED BOOKED AND UNBOOKED ARTICLES.

Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway Coy., and in accordance with section No. 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act IX of 1890. Messrs. MENESSE & Co., will sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 13th April, 1907, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the Railway Company's Goods Depot, Colaba, next to the Tramway Company's stables.

A quantity of valuables and unclaimed booked and unbooked articles, a large quantity of cotton picking.

A descriptive list of the booked articles can be seen at any station on broad-gauge section of the B. B. & C. I. Railway.

MENESSE & Co.

BOMBAY, 5TH April, 1907.

BENNETT & COMPANY
No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Very Valuable Landed Property at Elphinstone Road.

Under Instructions from Messrs Hiralal and Tookerdas Attorneys for Narain Premji, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will THIS DAY FRIDAY the 5th April, 1907, at 4-30 p.m. (S. T.) sell by Public Auction on the premises on account and risk of the Hon'ble failing Purchaser Lakhmidas Pragji, the following very valuable landed property :—

SCHEDULE.

All that piece of Foras Land of a perpetual tenure containing by admeasurement recently made 16141 Sinaie Yards or thereabouts and Register ed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Collector's Old Nos. 54, 55, 56, and 57, Chinchpoo's New Nos 12350 12351 11939 and 11941 New survey No. 1-1923 together with the tenements or buildings standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under G Ward Nos. 3404 and 3404 A Street No. 928 all which premises are situate, lying and on the West of Elphinstone Road, Lower Mahim, in the City and Registration Sub District of Bombay and are bounded on or towards the East by the Tulsi Water Pipe Road and a proposed public Road on or towards the West by the property of Mathew Farcel Dsouza ; on or towards the North by the Public Passage and on or towards the South by the property of Shri Krishna Raghoonath and were formerly in the occupation of Mulji Purshotam and are now in that of the said Narain Premji.

For further particulars and conditions of sale applications may be made to Messrs Hiralal and Tookerdas Attorneys for the Vendor or to the Undersigned.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 6th inst., at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods, etc.

AT 2 P.M. (S.T.)

1 handsome strong rubber tyred palanquin, office, in very good order.
1 Second-hand glass fronted miniature office brougham, in good order.
1 handsome strong rubber-tyred victoria, in very good order.
1 bay Arab, quiet in harness.
1 grey pony quiet in harness and saddle.

AUCTION SALE OF JEWELLERY.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 6th instant, at 3-30 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, on account of the concerned :—

1 parcel about 100 very valuable diamonds, weighing about 61 rattees.
1 parcel about 275 very valuable rubies, weighing about 10 rattees.
1 necklace of 116 "Kantha" set with large diamonds.

The above is now on view.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On SUNDAY, the 7th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the G. I. P. Railway Staff Quarters, Part I valuable and handsome teak and blackwood household furniture rich glass, crockery and plateware, dining table and chairs, sideboard and dumb waiter, drawing room sofas and chairs, rich cabinets one mahogany sweet toned square piano by Schiedmayer and Soehne Stuttgart, dressing and wash-hand tables almyrah and chest-of-drawers, single and double bedsteads, table and hanging lamps, China and coir matting, copper utensils &c., &c. the property of A. C. Scott, Esq.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

On TUESDAY, the 9th instant at 2 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Ridge Road, Malabar Hill, the very valuable and handsome teak and blackwood household furniture rich glass, crockery and plateware, large dining table, large side-board and dumb waiter, drawing-room, sofas and chairs, rich cabinets, table and wall ornaments, hanging and table-lamps, rich carpets, single and double bed-steads, marble top dressing and wash-hand tables, glass door single and double almyrahs and chest of drawers, writing table, office chairs, wall and table clocks, cane furniture, China matting, copper utensils, one English-built glass fronted single-seated rubber tyred brougham, one pair bay waler horses, one handsome strong rubber tyred cabriolet, one bay waler horse, set of plated mounted harness, one lot garden tubs and pots, &c., &c.

The property of the Honourable Mr. E. M. H. Fulton, I. C. S.

The property of another gentleman—

1 pair of handsome strong grey waler horses 15-1, 9 years old both go well in harness.

Catalogues will be published and the property is on view four days before the sale.

AUCTION SALE OF YARN.

On THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of Messrs. Finlay Muir & Co., Agents, Swan Mills Ld., and on account and risk of Mr. Nowlodas Vanlal :—

276 bales each 400lbs. 16s. yarn of the Swan Mills.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

AUCTION SALE OF YARN.

On THURSDAY the 11th instant at 3 30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, by order of Messrs. Seroon J. David & Co., and on account and risk of Mr. Beallal Harlial :—

200 bales each 400lbs. 10s. yarn, Cookatoo Chap, of the David Mills.

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CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
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THIS DAY FRIDAY the 5th instant, at 2 p. m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Cedar Building 2nd Floor opposite the Apollo Hotel Colaba Causeway the valuable and handsome French-polished teakwood and blackwood household furniture, suites of dining tables and chairs, mirror and sideboard and dinner waggons, drawing room suite of sofas and chairs lined plush marble-topped tables and teapoys, cabinets from bedsteads, single and double mirror door and plain almyrahs, dressing and wash-hand tables lady's bicycle baby tricycle revolving top office table and office chairs table ornaments, whatnot pictures carpets, rich glassware and crockeryware best platedware by Reed and Barton, etc., the property of Captain W. M. Houston I. M. S.

The property is on view.

BONA FIDE SALE.

Under instructions from N. C. Macleod, Esq., the Official Assignee and Assignee of the estate of M. Bieslauer and Co., insolvents, and with the consent of the Alliance Bank of Simla Ld., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will THIS DAY, FRIDAY the 5th instant, at 2 p.m. sell by Public Auction,

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Coquet, 2,865 tons Captain Walker, sailed yesterday for Kobe with a general cargo.

THE steamer Washington, 2,6 9 tons, Captain C Janssen, will sail, to-day for Singkatis.

THE Ancher Line steamer Masilia, 3,250 tons, Captain J Thomson arrived in harbour yesterd y from Liverpool with a general cargo and passengers.

THE Shah S N Co's steamer Shahncor, 2,783 tons, Captain D Evans, arrived in h rbour on the 3rd instant from Jeddah, with 931 pilgrims during the voyage 15 pilgrims died of natural causes. She brought Mrs and Miss Richardson as pass ngers.

THE Floris Rubattino S N Co's steamer India, 4,132 tons, Captain N Dodero, arrived in harbour on the 3rd instant from Hongkong, with a general cargo and 4 cabin and 10 deck passengers.

MEN-OF-WAR & ROYAL INDIAN MARINE SHIPS.

IN GOVT. DOCKYARD.

H M S Sphinx.....Comdr Bowman .....R Navy
R I M S Nortebrook ...Lt A R Harold.....R I Marine
R I M S Elphinstone ...Lt G H Finnis.....R I Marine
Three Torpedo Boats .....Royal Navy

IN THE STREAM.

H M S Lowing .....Comdr Barker .....R Navy
R I M S Hardinge ....Comdr G A Rose .....R I Marine

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—April 4.

Akbar.....1440 Baldwin .....H C Jeosah
Assaye.....Seymour .....Transport
Caspian.....2317 Young .....K N & Co
City of Karachi ...3543 Snow .....K Nixon & Co
Dunera.....763 Cuthbert .....M M & Co
Clifton Hall.....2529 Jones .....K N & Co
Glendiva.....1629 Taylor .....S M & Co
N Horsley .....3410 North ell...Manchester..19-4 R A Willis
Hydra.....631 Hesborn .....F F Campbell & Co
Jumna.....2997 Gun-Cunningham .....M M and Co
Kyleakin.....1976 Lannocks .....J M & Co
Masilia .....3250 Thom-on .....W & A G & Co
Nasri .....911 Pelarosa ...P Golf ...25-2 B & P S N Co
Nairuna.....2862 Thomson .....T M & Co
Nerbudda.....1969 Williams .....M M & Co
Oriental .....3938 Lewelen .....26-2 P & O Co
Rhi a .....2563 Wyatt.....
Shanghai.....2566 Davison .....Shah S N Co
Sindhuna .....2074 Holt .....Calcutta ... 6-4 M M & Co
Shahnoor.....2783 Evans .....Shah S N Co
Waroonga.....1892 Bamber.....M M & Co
Wardha.....2563 Pack.....M M & Co
Washington.....2565 James .....Standard Oil Co

VESSELS IN DOCK—April 4.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date	Agents.
A	Zientin Maru	2972	Tibbals	Kobe	10-4	N Y Kaisha
C & R	Chanda	3301	Tice	Kchi	8-4	M M & Co
D & E	Ormiliaka	2909	Houlton	Liverpool	5-4	K Nixon & Co
G	Shah Allum	1917	Revill	Kchi	6-4	The Shah S N & Co
H	Westward Ho	2316	Er in	Genoa	9-4	M & Co
K	Elvkield	2290	Dormuey	Middlesbrough	10-4	W & A G & Co
L	Somali	1623	Birch	Zoar	5-4	A Stravedes
M	Devanha	4789	Hide	Repairing		N F P & O Co
O	Thornbeck	2345	Robson	Rotterdam	6-4	R A Willis
Q	Caithness	2272	Taylor	London	10-4	K N & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 | King Hawel ....2827 Davies ...London ..13-4 T Morrison & Co
2 | Castalia .....981 Bilcliffe ...Liverpool 6-4 W & A G & Co
3 | Ischia.....2784 Dodero. Shanghai 17-4 F Rubattin S N Co
4 | Westminster..2781 Duncombe ..Hamburg 8-4 W & A G & Co
5 | Lawoe.... ....1817 Schonwandt ... N P.... F Moir & Co
6 | Lhasa.....924 McDesmond K'chi.... .... M M & Co
7 | Imamu .....570 Wignald Antwerp ...6-4 K Nixon & Co
7 | Coquet .....2865 Walker .... Kobe.... 4-4 T M & Co
8 | Adalia.....2481 ... Marseilles .. Hamnaford 9-4 R N & Co
9 | Schwarzenfels ..2457 Prunnis K'chi .... 6-4 Glebe & Co
10&11 | Rheinfels.... 2540 Birks Hamburg ..15-4 Glebe & Co
12 | China ..... Street.... London ..... 19-4 P & O Co
14 | Pealee ..... 2451 F sil .... Leith .... 13-4 W & A G & Co
15 | Havrard ..... 2934 Carlin .... Havre .... 3-4 J M & Co
16 | Nidderdale .... 2791 Alexander Hull.. 13-4 W & A G & Co
Mahanadi ..... 547 Ahmed ...Mangalore.....5-4 Bo S N Bo M W D D
General.....1480 Muldoner ..Durban...19-4 A Strandes

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
3	Shahnoor s	Evans.....	Jeddah, Mar 22
	Ischia s, ...	Dodero	Hongkong, Mar 14
4	R I M S Hardinge	Rose	Aden, Mar 29
	Masilia s	Thomson	Liverpool, Mar 9

DEPARTURES.

April	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination
4	Beatrice s	Randall	Kobe, &c
	Kamra	Chappell.....	Persian Gulf, &c
	Morocco	Bothall	Hull via Karachi
	Methley Hall s	Henderson ..	Vizagapatam
	Coquet s	Walker ...	Kobe

The steamer Washington Janssen, for Bangkatis, obtained her particulance yesterday.

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—
Steamer Ischia, for China
Islanda for Calcutta
" Naseri, for Aden
" Macedonia, for London

DAILY EXPORTS.—April 3.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Castalea s—1 bale wool, G Gungadas, 340 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR LONDON.

China s—21 bales woollen cuttings M H A Abraham, 60 cwt dry chillies, K B Sajan, 50 cwt deer horns, G Suchadina 2,000 cwt bone meal, Croft Mody and Co

Macedonia s—6,026 cwt rapeseed, Ralli Bros, 3,999 cwt rapeseed, E D Sassoon and Co

Caithness s—12 bales hemp E Oomersey

FOR HULL.

Kirkfield s—672 cwt cottonseed R Hassam

FOR MARSEILLES.

Ormidale s—727 cwt teetseed Ralli Bros, 2,001 cwt castorseed, Jehangir Cama and Co

Africa s—275 bales cotton, Ralli Bros

Castalia s—308 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR HAVRE

Hevraise s—200 cwt linseed, L Dreyfus and Co

FOR ANTWERP.

Imaum s—2,015 cwt myrabollams, W Becher, 40 bales hemp E Oomersey

Penlee s—2,000 bales cotton, P Bhimji, 170 bales hemp J N Kapadia and Co ; 2,001 cwt castorseed, E D Sassoon and Co

FOR HAMBURG.

Schwarzenfels s—1,000 cwt myrabalams, A Khimji

Rheinfels s—1 bale cotton, Ralli Bros ; 813 cwt tin chipping, Towner and Co ; 110 bales cotton, G Tejpal and Co ; 29 bales hides, Nizamoodin and Co ; 200 bales hemp, P Bhunji ; 21 cwt animal guts, A Meyer ; 4,000 cwt bone meal, Craft Mody and Co ; 5,000 cwt bone meal, R Kaderbhoy

Westminster s—636 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 110 bales cotton fly, K Visram and Co

FOR BREMEN.

Rheinfels s—220 bales cotton, Glade and Co ; 550 bales cotton, The M B Kaisha

FOR GENOA.

Westward H O s—3,182 bales cotton, Ralli Bros ; 30 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co

Jumna s—200 bales cotton, Lyon G Tejpal and Co 1,000 cwt linseed, J Facheri ; 1,001 cwt linseed and 3,001 cwt rapeseed, A Blascheck and Co ; 500 bales cotton, Bamjee and Co

FOR PORTSAID.

Penlee s—106,382 cwt cottonseed and 1,000 cwt mussoor, Ralli Bros

FOR KOBE.

Tientsin Maru s—58 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co ; 500 bales cotton, G Tejpal and Co ; 50 bales cotton Dinshaw, D Currane and Co ; 1,000 bales cotton, G Doosa and Co ; 300 bales cotton H N Madraswalla and Co ; 400 bales cotton Jehangir B Petit and Co ; 1,450 bales cotton The M B Kaish, 2,000 bales cotton Beny and Go ; 5 bales cotton P Visbram and Co ; 2,000 bales cotton S J David and Co

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR J. W. HAWES. COMMANDING, B. V. A.

Bombay, April 5.

The following extract from Bombay Brigade orders dated 4th April 1907 is published for information :—

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No 497—Volunteers Proficiency.

227 PROFICIENCY EXAMINATION.

The undermentioned officer and member of the Bombay Volunteer Artillery were examined for proficiency certificates with the results noted.

Rank and Name.	Subject passed in	Remarks.
Lieut C G Nomie.....	Part II 1-6-07 1-12-3-07	Awarded Certificate.
Sergt B J Barker, Capt G H Baily, Gr '98 H Coats, Br J B Roberts	Part II 1-3-07 / Part II and (b) of Part I 1-3-07.	Rifle Corps Certificates accepted in lieu of part II awarded certificate. / Awarded certificate for Part II only.

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228 LEAVE.

The following members are granted leave of absence as stated below :—

Gnr E M Johnson No 1 Co for six months from 1st May 1907.
Sr A R Gowthorne No 1 Co for six months from 1st April 1907.

229 COMMAND.

With reference to Regimental No 221 dated 23rd March 1907. Capt H O Co is will take over Command of No 1 Company with effect from 4th instant.

F. C. JENKIN, Lieut., R. A.
Adjutant B. V. A.

MANY public-houses in and near Manchester let their rooms on Sundays to debating clubs—a practice the magistrates do not care for very much. A policeman who had been ordered to attend a meeting of one of these societies related to the Bench that he was mistaken by the debaters for a reporter, when preparing notes for the case. "The meeting," he added, "accorded me a vote of thanks for my attendance, to which I replied."

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

LONDON, *April* 3.] [BOMBAY, *April* 4

FINANCIAL.

		Rates.	Pins.	Minus.
2½	per cent. Consols ...	85⅛		⅛
3	do. Rentes ...	94⅛		⅛
3½	do. Sterling Loan ...	102⅛	unchgd	
4	do. Govt. Securities ...	89⅞		⅛
Bar Silver in London ...		30		⅛
	Do. do. 2 months' hence	29⅛		⅛
	Do. in New York ...	64¼		1
Exchange on London at Paris ...		25·27		1½
	Do. do. Berlin.	20·52½	un	chgd
	Do. do. New York.	4·84¼	un	chgd
Discount Bank of England Rate.		5%	Since	17Jan
	Do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight ...	4⅛		¼
	Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight ...	4⅛		¼
	Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5⅛		¼
	Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	5⅛		¼
Interest Day-to-day Loans ...		3½		¼
	Do. 7-day Market Loans ...	3⅛		¼

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate). 1s. 3 1/16d. unchanged.

Council Bills :—

At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for Rs. 50,00,000—

Rs. 2,50,000 were allotted to Calcutta.
" 3,50,000 " " to Bombay.
" 4,10,000 " " to Madras.

Rs. 14,50,000 at 1s. 4 5/16 d.

Average rate of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay 16·09

TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS :—

Rs. 17,50,000 were allotted to Calcutta,
" 15,50,000 " " to Bombay.
" 2,00,000 " " to Madras.

Rs. 35,50,000 at 1s. 4 5/16d.

Average rate of allotment Calcutta and Bombay 16·15.

Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sales ... ... Rs. 73,40,000
Amount to be allotted next week... Rs. 70,00,000

EXTRA ALLOTMENTS :—

Transfer on Bombay .....Rs. 8,00,000 at 1s. 4 5/16d.
Transfer on Calcutta.....Rs. 1,00,000 at 1s. 4 5/16d.

COTTON.

Liverpool :—

Spots ... ... Quiet
Futures ... ... Quiet
East Indian... ... ... Quiet
Manchester ... ... Quiet
Total Sales 6,000
Sold on Speculation and for Export... 500
Imports 66,000
Mid-Americans ... ... 5·40 unchgd
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ... ... 10¼ unchgd

Future Delivery Prices :—

Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July.	July-Aug.
5·52 — 01	5·52 — 02	5·52 — 01	5·52 — 01

Aug.-Sep.	Sep.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Ja
5·50 — 01	5·49 — 01	5·48 — 01	5·47 — 01	5·47 — 01

New York :—

Receipts at U. S. Ports ... 15,000 bales
Do. do. last year... 19,000 "
Exports to Great Britain ... 12,000 "
Do. to Continent ... 7,000 "
Spot Cotton—10 15/16 Advanced owing to Port Receipts running below expectations and to bull support and short covering.
Futures—Month of July 9·59 + 13
Do. do. Dec. 9·63 + 11

New Orleans—

Spot Cotton—10¼ unchanged
Futures—Month of May 10·19+11
Do. do. July 10·25+10
Closing Tone of Futures—Steady

WHEAT.

Red Karachi—29 Old Terms—Mar.-April, Antwerp Done Canal.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed—
Brown Cawnpore, 44⅜ Apl.-May—Hamburg—Sellers Canal.

Linseed—
Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-ship 44 Apl.-May—H. A. D Sellers Canal.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee—
In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality) 7 unchanged.

Sugar—
German granulated Sugar, double bags, C. and F. India, 11s. 10½d.
Months of Shipment—May. Sellers.
Tone of Sugar—Quiet.

Rubber—
Para Rubber 4s. 10½d, Sellers.

Metals—
Copper Braziers £115
Yellow Metal ... ... d. 9⅛

Tin plates—
I. C. Coke 14×20 112 sheets per box weighing 90lbs. C. I. F., Bombay. £ 0 14 0

Bar Iron—
Belgian Ordinary Sizes F. O. B., Antwerp £ 6 18 0
Iron Corrugated Sheets 24 gauge G. O. B. 4 % F. O. B. Liverpool £ 14 5 0
Basic Steel Bars F. O. B. Antwerp Net. £ 7 0 0

Beef and Mutton Tallow—
Finest Australian Beef Tallow ... 37/3
" " Mutton Tallow ... 40
General tone of Tallow Auction ... Steady

ARRIVALS :—
"Neuenfels," "Umzumbi," "Australien."

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value.	From	Vessel.	Importer.
1 Case Sovereigns	Rs. 19,500	London	China	Cox and Co
1 Tin Sovereigns	825	Kowelt	Dumra	M S Faraj
Rupees	70			
1 Bundle Rupees	2,000	Bahrein	Dumra	E El Fazal
2 Bundle Rupees	3,300	Linga	Dumra	A Gufur
1 Bundle Rupees	65	Dwarka	Waroonga	M Mackenzie and Co
1 Bundle Rupees	1,350	Abass	Waroonga	M Mackenzie and Co
1 Bundle Rupees	1,700	Muscat	Waroonga	M Mackenzie and Co
3 Packages Sovereigns	18,073	Jeddah	Jumna	Sundry native
Gold Coins...	5,611			
Rupees	4,700			
3 Bundles Sovereigns	8,430	Jeddah	Ahmadi	Sundry native
Rupees ...	282			
1 Box Rupees ..	6,000	Muscat	Dumra	Comptoir national

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p.m. yesterday.

Cotton	19,400	bales.
Wheat	8,582	cwts.
Linseed	16,769	"
Rapeseed...	25,039	"
Gingellyseed	3,701	"
Poppyseed	3,104	"
Groundnuts	1,033	"
Castorseed	4,502	"
Rice	1,182	"
Myrabollams	6,956	"
Cottonseed	11,014	"
Gram	2,122	"
Joowar	8,077	"
Maize	7	"

BOMBAY MARKETS.

THURSDAY EVENING,] [4TH APRIL, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

MONEY.

The Market is firm. There are borrowers until the end of June at 6½ per cent. per annum. The Bank of Bengal cash balance is Rs. 30 lacs down.

Exchange :—

The Market has been firm to-day. At opening most Banks were offering to sell wire at 1s. 4 1/16d. for ready and April but later on one or two Banks were willing to sell Telegraphic Transfers at 1s. 4 3/32d. for delivery up to the 10th Inst. but without finding much enquiry. The credit rate opened quiet at 1s. 4 1/16d 3 months' sight with the possibility of placing bills at 1s. 4 1/32d. 3 months' sight for the mail of the 12th Instant. A moderate amount was offered on these terms until 1s 4 1/32d. was only available at the close for the last mail in the month. For Eastern rates are unsettled owing to the weak silver market.

We quote :—

T. T. on London	1s. 4 1/16 to 4/32d
Demand Draft	1s. 4 1/32d.
Credits— 3 months' sight ...	1s. 4 1/16d.
Do. 6 months' sight ...	1s. 4 3/32d.
Do. 3 months' sight—France	173
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks	141¼
Hongkong—30 days' sight ...	152
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	148¼
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	208

Government Paper :—

The Market opened steady at 97⅛ for ready and 97 1/16 for the settlement. Business was not particularly active in the morning, but when it became known that the Bank of Bengal cash balance was Rs. 30 lacs down there were many sellers, the market closing weak in tone as under. Calcutta quotations were advised this morning at 97 1/16 ready and 97 1/16 for delivery forward in a month. We quote :—

Cash	97	1	Sellers
1st Settlement	97	5	

Bullion :—

London silver quotations are this morning advised ⅛ to 1/16 down at 30d and 29 1/16 for cash and two months' delivery forward respectively. The New York rate is one cent lower at 64⅜. The local market is unsettled and quotations are ¼ down since opening. Ready and forward rates are noted below. Bar gold is steady.

	Rs.	A.	P.
English Bar Gold	24	2	0
Australian Bar Gold	24	1	0
Bombay Bar Gold	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	0	0
English Dragon Sovereigns	15	0	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready	76	2	0
Ditto 1st Settlement ...	76	3	0
Ditto 2nd Settlement ...	76	7	0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT :—

Notwithstanding the advance advised in the American markets prices here opened practically unchanged for forward delivery. The market has been quiet throughout the day, and there has been some covering of fine M. G. Bengals for May delivery against previous sales. Fine Broach for April has been in fair demand. At Colaba a small business was done in ready cotton, the enquiry running on high grade Oomras, which are scarce, Bengals and Khandeish. The market closes quiet with sellers as under :—

QUOTATIONS :—

		Rs	Delivery.
Fine	M. G. Broach	253	Ready.
Fine	"	251	April.
Fine	" Nagpur Kampti	213	May.
Fine	" Damangaum Pulgaon.	200	do.
Fine	" Khangaum Akola ...	183	do.
Fine	" Amraoti.....	193	do.
Fine	" Muttia	179	do.
F. G.	" Khandeish.....	170/71	do.
Fine	" Khandeish	179	do.
Fine	" Bengals.....	166/7	do.
Good Westerns		229	do.
Good Saw Ginned Dharwar		237	do.

NEW CROP 1908.

Good M. G. Broach	237	Mar 08
Fine G. H. G. Bengals	172	Jan 08

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening tone ... ... Firm.
Estimated Sales ... ... 7,000 bales
Total Imports ... ... Nil

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES—

Apl.-May.	May-June.	June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.
5·57	5·57	5·57 + 05	5·57	5·55

Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
5·54 + 05	5·53 + 04	5·52 + 05	5·52 + 05

FREIGHTS.

The market is quiet with a moderate business doing at previous rate.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—

The market is easier with business passing as under.

Ready ... Rs. 7 3 0 to Rs. 7 4 0
Apl-May ... " 7 10 6

Rapeseed—

Brown Cawnpore Apl.-May ... Rs. 7 10 0
Yellow Cawnpore " ... " 8 7 0
" Guzerat " ... " 8 9 0
Tone—Quiet but Steady

Gingellyseed :—

The market is steady with a limited enquiry.

Bold White 85 per cent ... Rs. 53 8 0
" 75 do. ... " 51 8 0
Black Kutni ... " 44 8 0
Yellow Hinguughat ... " 55 0 0

CASTORSEED :— ... " 36 0 0

Tone—Steady.

COTTONSEED :— ... Rs. 18 8 0

Tone—Quiet.

GROUNDNUTS :— ... " 41 0 0

Tone—Steady.

WHEAT :—

White Delhi ... Rs. 4 7 0
White Karachi ... " 4 5 6
Tone—Quiet.

THE SHARE MARKET.

BANKS—

Bombay 1,337½
India 524

MILLS—

David 330
Kohinoor 680
Manockji Petit ... ... 3,175 May dely

PRESSES—

Breul's Cawnpore 205
Hingoli 125

MISCELLANEOUS—

Alcock Ashdown and Co... ... 320
Bombay Steam Nav. ordinary 253 3/4
Central India Mining 553
Colaba Land and Mill 915
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate ... 75
Treacher and Co.... 590

RAILWAYS—

Ahmedabad-Prantej 550
Tapti Valley 472 1/2
Southeran Maratha 155

KARACHI FREIGHT MARKET.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, APRIL 4.

Our Freight Market has been practically closed for the Easter Holidays and but little business has in consequence been transacted. Freights are unchanged and quiet until the home markets are again open. Enquiry is limited.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

The followidg is the list of Messages remaining Undelivered in the Central Telegraph office Bombay :—

Dhola, Dharamshi Sunderji Barbhai moholo vegetable gali sanitanki on milk seller ; Mandalay, Forfikar ; Manglore, Jaferali Ibrahim Crawford market R. H. Essai ; Muttra, Sawami Vadaimandgis Vadgadi ; Dewaimadhpur, Gorilal Mangilal Haji Kasimka nayamara ; Surat, Motilal Daya Dhanji sharef bazar ; Karachi, Govindjee Ludha Vargadi ; Trur, Thayoo Tirurwalia Jakriamasjid ; Ratnagiri, Abasumar care of Ismail Masurkar Oomarkhadi ; Kothara, Manjothi Salemahamad Memonmala Lakhapat Pirmuhaoda-daral Bishnathgang, Kairati Kosita nagica : Wadhwan, Khoja Natoo Sapan Umarkhadi Shanpuda : Jalna, Lallmohomad Kodia Kavkidoigi Sudukkisoolal Cha, 3rd story.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, and MEMORIAM NOTICES which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders, is Re. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BROOKS—At Lahore, the wife of F. J. Brooks, N. W.-R., of a son.

BUNYAN—April 1st at Madras, the wife of J. A. Bunyan, of the Ordnance Factory, Jubbulpore, of a daughter.

KEEN—March 26, at Baunu, the wife of Capt. W. J. Keen, I. A., of a son.

MILNER—March 29, at Meerut, the wife of C. Milner, Bank of Upper India, Ld., of a son.

ROTHERA—March 31, at Cuddalore, the wife of Percy Rothera, S. I. R., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

PARRAT—GOLDSMITH—March 20, at St John's Church, Peshawar, Colonel W. Cross Parrat, D. S. O., to Katherine Mathilde Goldsmith.

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Sun rises, 6h. 30m.; Sun sets, 6h. 53m.; High water 3-34m., 4-58s. Low water, 9-37m., 11-3s.

P. and O. s. s. Peninsular, with English mails of 22nd ult. due to arrive at noon.

Maneckjee Petit Manufacturing Company, 6 Hornby Road, 4-45 p.m.

Indo-British Institution—Ex-students' Union, open air entertainment, 9-30 p.m.

Fancy dress dance, St. Mary's ex-Students' Union, Woodland Hall, 9 30 p.m.

Fitzgerald Brothers' Circus.

The Bandmann Bioscope, Town Hall.

SIR MANGALDAS NATHUBHAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—The total number of patients treated in this dispensary during the month of March was 832 of whom 547 were males and 285 females.

SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.—The business of the Second Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court, which commenced on Wednesday, terminated yesterday.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Delagoa Bay and other places in South Africa per extra S. S. "Rattenhall" *via* Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 6-30 p.m. on the 7th instant. A supplemental mail will also be closed at 7-30 a.m. on the 8th instant.

KHOJA SAJUNBHOY MEER ALI'S CHARITABLE DISPENSARY.—During the month of March, the number of Khoja patients that were treated in this Dispensary was 1,927. Among them the number of new admissions 410, classified :—Men 120; Women 130; Children 160. The average daily attendance was 62.

APRIL FOOL'S DAY.—Great fun was enjoyed on the last April Fool's Day owing to the distribution of handbills saying that the Hon. Mr. Gokhale would deliver a lecture in the Town Hall at Simla. Many persons including a number of unsuspecting Police officers (who, of course, were for maintaining peace), went there at the appointed time to hear the lecture, but to their disappointment they learnt that they were made April Fools. Mr. Gokhale arrives in Bombay by the Nagpur mail this morning.

STREET ACCIDENTS.—A horse belonging to Mr. Gokuldass Soorji was being trained at the Storm Water Reservoir yesterday, when it broke loose and ran down the Tardeo Road. On the way, the animal knocked down two Hindus who had to be removed to hospital for treatment, as their injuries were severe. The frightened horse then ran into the motor-car belonging to Mr. J. Adam, Chief Engineer, G. I. P. Railway, and damaged the car considerably. The horse was eventually caught on the Arthur Road.

HINDU CHILD RUN OVER.—Kassibai Kondaji, 2 years and six months old, residing with her mother at Oomerkhadi, was running across the street late yesterday evening, when she was accidentally knocked down and run over by a carriage belonging to Mr. Hussan Sheriffoodin Khalil. The child sustained a fracture of one of her ribs.

A DASTARDLY ASSAULT.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, disposed of a case in which Inspector Gorge prosecuted Sultan Feroz Esuf, a Sidee, aged 35 years, for voluntarily causing hurt with a knife to Saloo Nasib, the complainant, on the afternoon of the 2nd instant. It appeared that the complainant, who resided at Doongri, went on the evening in question to Tanker Street, to see his friend Hassan Patel. When there, he was talking to one Abdulla. The accused, who was then drunk, came there and picked up a quarrel with the complainant. He threw the complainant down and struck him a blow with a knife. He was subsequently arrested. The complainant was removed to hospital where his injuries were attended to. The accused pleaded drunkenness. He was convicted by his Worship and sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

OVERCROWDING ON THE G. I. P. RY.

THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Can nothing be done to prevent overcrowding on the G. I. P. Ry. especially in this the hottest of hot weathers? On the 24th instant I travelled by the Poona passenger, leaving Poona about noon, and by the time the train reached Kalyan we had no less than seventeen passengers in a 2nd class compartment all jammed up as there was no other second class carriage on the train. From Kalyan local passengers rushed into this the only second class compartment and they all had to stand, blocking up even the entrance, and then it was absolutely downright misery for all. Now there are about 50 or 60 local trains running daily between Bombay and Kalyan, and surely this ought to be more than enough for all second and third class passengers without subjecting long distance passengers to indescribable discomfort and annoyance.

A PASSENGER.

SAD ACCIDENT AT PANCHGANI.

A correspondent writes :—On Sunday afternoon, March 31st, James Hamilton, 11 years of age, who was living with Father Dura k and attending the St. Joseph's Convent School, when out for a walk left his companions, saying that he would go back to the house. He, however, instead of staying at home, got a pair of bathing drawers and proceeded by himself to Dalkith Springs for a swim. What happened afterwards will never be known. In the evening the boy was missed, and search parties scoured the hills for him. At midnight his clothes were found near the well, Two of the Masters from the Boys' High School dived into the well and eventually found the body. An inquest was held and a verdict of "accidental death by drowning" returned. The sad event has cast a gloom over the station, and the deepest sympathy is felt with the bereaved parents and also with Father Durack. The names of the two young Masters, who recovered the body, are Mr. Robert Crisp and Mr. Fred Melling. Both are to be much congratulated on their brave action.

HIGH COURT.

LIMITED COMPANY IN LIQUIDATION.

Recovery of Calls.

Their Lordships the Hon'ble Sir Lawrence Jenkins, Chief Justice, and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Beaman disposed of, in second appeal, a suit brought forward by the original defendant and appellant, Bai Chanchal, wife of Motilal Mulchand, against the original plaintiff and respondent Company, the Lakshmi Dyeing Printing, Bleaching and Manufacturing Company, Limited, in connection with the recovery of Rs. 75 being the amount due for the second call made by the Company before it went into liquidation, as the appellant was alleged to be a shareholder of the Company. Mr. J. R. Gharpure appeared for the Appellant, the respondent being represented by Mr. Lallubhai Asharam Shah.

The facts are these : The Company was constituted in 1897 and went into voluntary liquidation in 1901. Each defendant subscribed for one share of Rs. 250, and complied with the first call for Rs. 50, but not with the second, which was for Rs. 75. This was during the lifetime of the Company. After liquidation had been agreed upon, the Company passed a resolution to recover the amount of the second call from the shareholders, who had failed to pay it, and the liquidator thereon demanded payment from the defendants and on their refusal to comply, instituted the suit. More than 3 years having elapsed between the date of the second call and the liquidators demand, they claim the protection of article 112 of the Limitation Act.

The original suit was decided by the additional Joint Subordinate Judge of Ahmedabad, who awarded the plaintiff Company Rs. 75 and ordered costs to be recovered from the property of the defendant. In appeal, the District Judge of Ahmedabad dismissed the suit with costs. Against this decision an appeal has been presented and the case coming on for hearing their Lordships observed that apparently there was no defence to the suit on its merits. But it is said that as the suit is for the recovery of calls in a liquidation, it has been instituted in a wrong Court, and that it is also defective in that only one liquidator has taken part in the suit.

There is nothing on the record to show that at the institution of the suit there was any liquidator beyond the one named, and their Lordships said that they could not, at this stage, allow an affidavit to be read for the purpose of showing that there were two liquidators at that time. Therefore their Lordships said that they need not express any opinion as to what would have been the result, had it been shown that there were two liquidators. Then it is said that the suit should have been brought in the District Court. This is based upon section 130 of the Indian Companies' Act which says that the expression "the Court" as used in this part of the Act, shall mean the principal court having original Civil Jurisdiction in the place in which the registered office of the Company is situate. In addition to this section, there is a rule of the High Court which lays down that "in the Mofussil of the Bombay Presidency, all petitions shall be presented, applications made to, and proceedings taken under the direction of the Judge for the time being of the District Court within whose jurisdiction the principal office of the Company may be situate." It is then contended that this is an application under section 182 of the Companies' Act, which provides that "where a Company is being wound up voluntarily, the liquidators or any contributory of the Company may apply to the Court to determine any question arising in the matter of such winding up, or to exercise, as respects the enforcing of calls or in respect of any other matter, all or any of the powers which the Court might exercise, if the Company were being wound up by the Court." Therefore it is argued that this is a proceeding under part IV, and recourse can only be had to the District Court. But the fault in this argument is that this is not a proceeding under section 182 ; it is a suit. Then it is argued if it is a suit and not an application, then the procedure is erroneous. But the answer to that is to be found in section 165, which appears to their Lordships plainly to point to the power to institute a suit in respect of calls.

Their Lordships remarked "we are only concerned here with the suit in respect of calls." In "Manganla Vahaji, Liquidator of the Shakti Lakshmi Laobak Friendly Society limited versus Manganlal Garbar "and others, Civil application under extraordinary jurisdiction No. 317 of 1905, the purpose of the suit has not been for enforcing calls, but to establish certain rights, and their Lordships cannot in the circumstances, regard that case as a decision governing this. The learned Judges do not seem to have regarded it as a suit to which provisions of section 165 were applicable inasmuch as they do not mention it. That authority being out of the way, their Lordships find no reason for holding that this suit could only be brought in the District Court. The point of limitation obviously cannot be sustained. Their Lordships, therefore, confirmed the decree of the Appellate Court with costs.

SECOND CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

KILLING HIS FATHER-IN-LAW.

In the Criminal Sessions of the High Court, yesterday, before the Hon. Mr. Justice Davar and a common jury, the trial of Shewa Fakira, on a charge of killing his father-

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THE KHEDIVE AND NATIONALISM.

ABBAS HILMI, Khedive of Egypt, is perhaps the most conspicuous person, with the exception of the Sultan of Turkey, among all Oriental sovereigns. He is certainly at the present moment the most interesting. His every act has been noted ever since as a child he was called upon unexpectedly to fill the Viceregal throne of Egypt, vacated through the sudden death of his father Tewfik. Naturally a bright and clever man, he has had every opportunity afforded him for equipping himself mentally and physically for his office. He is perhaps the best educated monarch, with the exception of King Edward VII and the German Emperor, alive to-day. Widely-read, a scholar and a great linguist, the Khedive is one of the most delightful and companionable of men. Possessed of a marvellous knowledge of agriculture, irrigation, engineering, stock-raising, and what not, he is an ideal country gentleman and at heart a sportsman. Circumstances over which he had no control forced him to forego much that might under happier circumstances have been his rightful inheritance. This position, it will be easily understood, has, since Abbas Hilmi grew to years of discretion, been irksome and painful. The abundant prosperity of Egypt and her growing importance in the world's story, coupled with his own consciousness of possession of huge wealth and prime manhood, has augmented his dissatisfaction. And the daily experience of Egyptian life, bringing home to him the powerful character and administrative ability of Lord Cromer, has not been balm to his soul. On several conspicuous occasions he has shown his true feelings, and it has always been an open secret that he was only loyal to England by compulsion, and that, in his heart, he sighed for a fuller share in the administration of his country and the framing of her decrees. His well-wishers, and they are many, have, therefore, been anxiously hopeful that he would allow the country to progress peacefully till it was safe for the English Government to increase gradually his prerogatives and invest him with wider authority. The telegram which seems to indicate that he has taken advantage of the new movement under Kamel Pasha to express openly his sentiments is a most deplorable piece of news. Such an overt expression of disloyalty can only bring increased unrest and trouble. It may even force the hand of England and give rise to a serious situation. For modern events in the near East have demonstrated unequivocally and unquestionably that at all costs England must keep her hand on Egypt.

Germany has only herself to thank if we are bound to annex the country outright, for she has been at the back of nearly every so-called Turkish intrigue as well as the many patent exhibitions of anti-English policy. The Khedive is fully aware that there are many strong forces that he can array against England if he chooses to cast the die and trust to Fate. There is no doubt that he would have at his disposal the 50,000 soldiers that form the Egyptian army. These men are English-trained and armed, and many have been proved in active service. He would have the support of the cosmopolitan population of the large towns if his first efforts proved successful, and in any case the fellaheen would support him to a man rising and massacring the English at a sign from him. Turkey would give the whole support of her army to the Khediveal side and use her new railways to throw forward her hosts over the Egyptian Frontier and the Gulf of Suez. And Germany would have a great opportunity elsewhere. All this Abbas Hilmi knows full well, and when we take all things into account it speaks well for his self-control that he does not more often give himself away. What then keeps him fairly well within the bounds of diplomatic discretion? Simply this: that he is just as fully aware of what forces would oppose him, and that in the end he would be forced to surrender even the independence he now enjoys. Briefly, this is the opposing position:—The army of occupation is perhaps, inclusive of the garrisons at Alexandria, Cairo, and Khartoum, 6,000 men. The Soudan army is loyal to England to a man and is highly efficient and capable. Perhaps this brings up the number of reliable troops on the spot to over 12,000, Suppose then the Khedive is indiscreet enough to hazard a *coup d'etat*. It would take a few days for the native army to concentrate and organise, for the English Officers would of course strive to keep the men in check. Supposing that the first coup were successful, the native army would hold Cairo and Alexandria, and block the Canal, though there would be a sanguinary day or two before the few battalions of English troops were overcome. In the meantime the Channel Fleet would be despatched to Alexandria and Port Said and landings would be effected in the Delta and about the Suez Canal. In three more days two thousand troops from Malta would be on the spot, and the whole garrison at Cyprus would follow in a few hours.

In the course of a couple of weeks thirty thousand troops from India could be landed at Suakim and the new trans-desert railway to the Khartoum line would be a ready means of transit. Cyprus would pour in supplies and serve as a naval base. Then the great movement would begin. The Indian Contingent would join the Soudanese and Khartoum garrison moving south down the Nile Railway. The troops from Suez, the Naval Brigade and Malta and Cyprus men together with the remnant of the Alexandrian garrison would gradually close in at Cairo, sweeping the country. Reinforcements from India and Home would strengthen the jaws of the trap until it closed on Cairo. From the sketch it may be seen that if the Khedive wants to add a little more red to the map he is going the right way to do it. And this will be the end of his nationalist ideas unless he is very careful.

MANCHURIAN ADMINISTRATION. THE Government scheme for the reorganisation of Manchuria is somewhat ambitious for the fourteen articles which compose it include provision for most of the demands made by the Powers in Manchurian Trade since the Treaty of Portsmouth was signed. Practically Japan and Russia have withdrawn their troops and China is again nominal ruler of the province. The home of the ruling house is once more to be controlled from Peking, and the dislocation of trade which followed the Russian occupation, the disastrous war, and the post-bellum administration, promises shortly to become a memory of the past. Manchuria under Russian administration, with the many exclusive opportunities its possession afforded to the subjects of the Tsar for the promotion of their trade, was to all intents and purposes useless as an international mart. And those who expected a speedy revival of trade after the termination of hostilities were doomed to disappointment. What trade there was flowed through other channels than Newchwang, which had so long been regarded as the entrepot of the Manchurian market. The last state of Manchurian trade, so far as the majority of merchants was concerned, seemed worse than the first, and the dissatisfaction and disappointment found expression in a series of petitions and appeals to the Ministers at Peking and even to Home Governments. A revival of trade, however, seems to be promised in the near future but there must first be stern suppression of the disorder which reigns in the interior. Besides this the reorganisation of the Government will necessitate the establishment of Customs Houses on the Korean and Russian frontiers and the whole of the internal administration of three provinces will have to be blended into one department. One important announcement is that, as soon as possible after the evacuation, no less than fifteen cities are to be opened to foreign residence and trade. The measures proposed for the reorganization of the Manchurian administration show that the officials at the capital are fully alive to the necessities of the situation, and it is to be hoped that a programme which will meet with such general approval will not be relegated to the background as soon as China formally enters possession of the Eastern provinces. The consolidation of the three provinces under one Viceroy should make for greater efficiency and homogeneity in administration, and give the territory a better chance of recuperating from the trials it has undergone. It is easy to understand the feeling in native circles that China will be only the nominal ruler of Manchuria, and that she will find herself handicapped by the complications that must inevitably arise if either of the late belligerents continues to regard portion of the new Viceroyalty as its "sphere of influence." No phrase has been more abused than this, or more generally misunderstood; but no umbrage will be taken if the term implies in Manchuria nothing more than it does in the Yangtse Valley.

BOMBAY'S NEW MUSEUM. THE report of the Committee appointed to consider the scheme for the establishment of a Museum, worthy the name, on the Crescent site, is a document whose perusal we would commend to the general public as well as to the moneyed people of Bombay. As will be seen, the scheme is in danger of miscarriage owing to the want of sufficient funds. We are promised, at best, a piece-meal affair instead of a fine and complete institution, and the fact does us no credit. We do not doubt that Government will allow for the purpose the fullest possible amount it can with justification. But that is not enough, and we would urge the desirability of making a supreme effort towards raising the necessary funds. If Mr. Marshall Reid and Mr. James were still with us, we might invite them to organise a fete such as those we had in years gone by, and such as the former gentleman undertook for Lady Minto's Fund. Unfortunately, we have not at the present time any citizen sufficiently capable and energetic to plan and carry out anything of the kind, and the season has grown too late. So we must appeal to the wealthy and to the generous and even to those of moderate means who will perhaps benefit, more than others, by the establishment of an excellent Museum, such as we know the Governor's Committee desire to see. A Town's meeting might very well be called and a public subscription raised for the purpose of augmenting the funds available. Something should be done, and done at once, that the scheme in its entirety may be carried through —and this before Lord Lamington's term of office expires—that it may remain a perpetual memorial of his governorship, besides ministering to the educational needs of the people. There is plenty of money in Bombay, and there are many among us with more than is good for them. They can supply all that is required without missing it, and thus enable the Committee to fulfil its mission efficiently. From the report it will be gathered that there is ample material for the formation of a really excellent Museum, the only difficulty being that of buildings to contain it. We are glad the Government has decided that each section must be separately housed. But it will be seen that if funds are not forthcoming, we shall have an eye-sore for years to come of a partially completed design, which will be a standing reproach to us—even more painful than that of the solitary stone which for more than a year has stood in the middle of the Crescent. One more suggestion we would make—while still awaiting the commencement of building operations—that the ground be marked out and trees planted that the site may look less of a wilderness than it now unfortunately does.

THE STATUES OF LONDON. THE proposal to erect a statue to the late Lord Salisbury at the Foreign Office, though it may seem a little belated, is nevertheless by comparison quite the reverse. The great Premier and Foreign Secretary has been dead less than four years, and few famous men have had their life work recognised by the erection of a statue to their memory within so short a period after their death. It is only within the last quarter of a century that the statues to Oliver Cromwell in Old Palace Yard; to Sir Bartle Frere in the Victoria Embankment Gardens; to Robert Raikes and to William Tyndale in the same pleasant surroundings, have been erected. The statue to Queen Anne in St. Paul's Churchyard has been put up only within the same period. London probably contains less public statues than many a minor town in Germany; but the few specimens of the sculptor's art that it possesses are, as a rule, works of splendid merit. The Duke of Wellington has been honoured with no less than three statues, the one at Hyde Park Corner, and two others at Tower Green and the Royal Exchange. Nearly all the fine effigies in London are to soldiers and statesmen, and the only one to a poet is that to Robert Burns, on the Embankment. There are, of course, figures and busts of several poets in Westminster Abbey, but they can hardly be called public statues. It seems strange no spot can be found in Parliament Square for a statue of Lord Salisbury, the man who was three times Premier of England. He should certainly be placed along with Disraeli and Lord Derby in front of the House of Commons, though space thereabouts is extremely limited. William Pitt occupies a fine site in Hanover Square: George Canning is in New Palace Yard and Charles James Fox is in Bloomsbury Square. It may truly be said for the statues in London that they perpetuate the memories only of men of the first eminence.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. "Caledonia" with the homeward Mails of the 30th ultimo arrived at Aden 6-30 p.m. on Wednesday last.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. "Egypt" with the outward Mails of the 29th ultimo left Suez at 2-30 a. m. yesterday.

The s.s. "Macedonia" with the China Mails left Colombo at 11 p.m. on Tuesday and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 3 p.m. to-day.

THE Directors of the Bank of Bombay have appointed Mr. J. Lyon Scott to act as Agent at Ahmedabad Branch, vice Mr. J. Duff proceeding on leave.

THE "Gazette" contains a notification that the R. I. M. S. "Canning" is for sale.

THE Austrian Lloyd's s.s. "Gisela," from Trieste sailed from Karachi for Calcutta on the morning of the 4th instant. The same Company's s.s. "Imperator," from Trieste, arrived at Karachi on the morning of the 4th instant. The same Coy's s.s. "Austria," from Bombay, left Karachi for Trieste on the afternoon of the 3rd instant.

THERE is a slight fall in the plague mortality in Calcutta. On March 28th there were 38 seizures and 35 deaths; and on the 29th there were 24 seizures and 20 deaths. The pest is confined chiefly to the northern section of the town. The average number of seizures and deaths, however, is not far from the average of the previous five years for this time of the year, viz., 103 and 134, respectively.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending April 2 was 1,340, giving a death-rate of 29·79 per annum per thousand as against 124·63 the corresponding period of last year, and 126·38 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 85 died from fevers; 655, plague; 3, small-pox; 1, measles; 1, cholera; 74, phthisis; 41, diseases of the nervous system; 186, affections of the respiratory organs; 43, diarrhœa; 22, dysentery; 39, still-born; 114, old age and debility; 12, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 46; Brahmin, 42; Lingaet, 4; Bhattia, 7; Hindu of other caste, 711; Hindu low caste, 177; Musalman, 267; Parsee, 33; Jew, 5; Native Christian, 36; Eurasian 2; European, 9; Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 286 as against 434 the corresponding period of last year, and 315 the average over the past five years.

WHEN Mr. Ross Scott, Judicial Commissioner of Oudh, retires about the 5th instant, the following changes will take place in the Judicial Commissioner's Court:—Mr. E. M. Des C. Chamier, 1st Additional Judicial Commissioner, will be Judicial Commissioner *sub portem*; Mr. L. G. Evans, 2nd Additional Judicial Commissioner, will be 1st Additional Judicial Commissioner, *sub protem*; Mr. J. Sanders, officiating 2nd Additional Judicial Commissioner, will be *sub protem* in that appointment. The vacancy in the appointment of Additional Judicial Commissioner of Oudh, caused by the absence on leave of Mr L G Evans, will then be filled by the Hon'ble Mr. R. Greeven, Legal Remembrancer to Government. Mr. B. Lindsay, District and Sessions Judge, will return from leave to take up the appointment of Legal Remembrancer. In connection with the appointments to the N.-W.P. High Court announced it may be noted that this is the third occasion on which Mr. C. C. Dillon has officiated as a Puisne Judge and his appointment will be very popular with the Allahabad Bar.

AMONG the many subjects dealt with by the Lieutenant-Governor in his speech at the United Provinces Legislative Council writes the *Pioneer*, there was nothing of more vital interest to the land holding classes than the reference to the Ajudhia estate. The financial embarrassments into which this fine estate had fallen have long been known, but it had been hoped a way would be found by which the debts might be discharged and the estate preserved intact. His Honour, however, made it clear that there was no possibility of preserving the whole of the estate. On the Maharaja's death it became apparent that only by the most judicious nursing of the property would it be possible to preserve any portion of the estate, and the Government in consideration of the eminent services rendered to the State by the Ajudhia family decided to take it under the Court of Wards and make every effort to preserve it from ruin. But even the Court of Wards cannot work miracles, and in a case where the interest on loans exceeds the net income available for their repayment it is clear that something must go. The prospects of obtaining a large loan at low interest in order to pay off debts bearing excessive rates of interest are by no means bright. There are Talukdars of Oudh who might easily have come to the rescue of the estate, but they have not thought fit to do so to anything like the extent that would be necessary to save it intact. That, of course, is their own affair; but the consequence of their reluctance will almost certainly be that the outlying portions of the Ajudhia estate will have to be sold. The prospects cannot be regarded without regret on larger grounds than the personal ones associated with the decay of a great family. It is not in the public interest that the great estates of Oudh should be broken up into small properties, or on the other hand that the land of the province should gradually pass into the hands of a small number of the wealthiest landowners.

A NUGGET weighing five ounces, which must have been passed over by wheeled traffic for years, has, it is stated, been found in the main street at Linton, near Ballarat, by John Godden as he was returning from work,

ACCORDING to the Lisbon correspondent of the "Express," enormous prices were charged at Lagos for food supplied to the British Fleet. The shopkeepers demanded 1s. each for eggs. Meat was charged for at the rate of 5s. a pound, while chickens could not be had for less than £1 each.

THE luggage of a Chinese coolie who had landed at Singapore from Sumatra was being examined when something hard was felt in a pillow. Upon opening the pillow the official found a skull and all the bones of a human skeleton. The coolie declared that the bones were those of his brother, and he was taking them to China for burial.

WHEN the Kaiser went to Munich recently, it was mentioned that his train was stopped at a wayside station whilst he was being shaved. A Socialist paper, the "Fraenkische Tagespost," describing this incident, added that the Associations of Loyal Military Veterans in the neighburhood had stormed the barber for the lather which had been scraped off the Kaiser's chin, and that this had been distributed among them, while a band played the National Anthem. The associations considered themselves insulted, and brought an action against the editor. The trial was very amusing, says the "Chronicle," the Court joining in the laughter; but the editor, nevertheless, was fined for overstepping the bounds of fair comment.

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SKETCHES OF THE NATIONS.

UNCLE SAM,

BY
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THE man who gave to the genius of the United States the name of "Uncle Sam," was himself a genius.

Nothing better than an uncle has yet been invented; for generally speaking, an uncle is the relation to whom the children can go and tell all their little misdeeds, which they would hardly dare confess to father and mother, for fear of a lecture if not of punishment. But uncles are not supposed to lecture. Their mission is to provide unlimited good advice, sympathy, "tips" and jokes when they have nothing more substantial to give. Their business is to be jolly, debonair, wise, generous; to get their confiding relatives out of scrapes, and to make wills in their favour.

Now, I should like to ask all unprejudiced persons who know (or think they know) anything about the United States of America as a country, whether it was not an inspiration to put the name of "Uncle Sam" on the national visiting card?

Other countries are "motherlands" and "fatherlands," but there is not, and could not be any other uncle-land than the "U. S. A."

A GENEROUS HOUSEHOLDER.

He has his faults, has Uncle Sam (what comfortable, human uncle hasn't?); and his nephews and nieces are fond of discussing these faults among themselves. Sometimes they even go out of his house in a huff, or because they are bored, or because they think the houses of other people's relatives might be more amusing for a visit. But if they are normal, healthy minded nephews and nieces, they are always wild with delight at getting back under the roof of the dear old man and woe betide outsiders, who are not related to Uncle Sam by ties of blood, if *they* dare to find fault with him, or his house, or his habits. It really is a tribute to Uncle Sam's fine qualities, that his huge family (even his host of adopted nephews and nieces) are so loyal to him at heart.

Whatever may be his failings, Uncle Sam is certainly the most generous householder on the big round globe. For the credit of the family, he feels that he must give his favourite nephews more pocket-money than the motherlands and fatherlands can afford to give. He always keeps a wonderful supply of gold and silver, and loose copper handy; but there is one thing at which he draws the line. No boy who will not work for his money can have it.

As I said he has his favourites to whom he gives with both hands because of their cleverness and industry, and sometimes he seems a little hard on the others but in the general rule it proves to be for their good in the end and the moment he finds out that one of the boys who has received valuable presents from him, has been cruel or stingy to some other boy who is a probation what a box on the ear he gives the culprit! Such a sounding blow it is that it rings all over Europe, and is not forgotten soon by any of the parties concerned.

HIS NIECES.

Once in awhile some of Uncle Sam's boys and girls fall down and hurt themselves on one of Mother Earth's bad days, when she has an ague or an indigestion or a horrid cold in her head. Then it is that the good old fellow shows himself for what he really is. Even if he has been in a grumpy fit at the time and the children have hardly dared to play in his room, he gets up, throws aside all the interests which have been occupying him at the moment, thrusts his hands deep down in his pockets, and cheers the sufferers with substantial benefits, and pats on the head.

He is rather a proud man, perhaps. He likes to have the fatherlands and motherlands fully understand that uncle and can take care of itself, and that all the pennies and head-pattings necessary can be given by himself. But independence of spirit is a very good fault, and one of which the world has not had an opportunity to tire.

If Uncle Sam has a weakness, it is for his nieces. He thinks, and may be excused for thinking, that there's nothing in the world too good for them. With all the chivalrous gallantry for which, since his early youth, he has been famous among the "fair sex," he spares no time, trouble or money in turning out his girls attractively. He spoils them a little, may be,—or so it is whispered in father and motherlands, letting them do exactly as they please from the time that they can toddle alone, to the time when his boys and other people's boys, eagerly begin to take them off his hands.

What they want to do, "goes," with Uncle Sam, and he is never so happy as when they are having the "time of their lives," on his hard-earned yet plentiful money, even when they enjoy themselves in the houses of strangers.

He prides himself on the fact that his nieces are the best dressed and "brightest" girls on earth, and he is perfectly confident also, that they are the prettiest and the most attractive in every other way.

HIS OPINION OF OTHERS.

In this opinion he has a very good right, because it is generally confirmed on every side. And after all, who that has never been an uncle to delightful girls can blame him if he is a little obstinate about admitting that any other girls than his can possibly be really interesting or clever?

As for poor old Johnny Bull's girls he has read books about them and he knows just what they are like so it is no use arguing. He knows that they are good innocent little things with rose and cream complexions who blush a great deal never have an original thought or make an original remark and would sit down and sob rather than engage in any kind of adventure such as one of his smart nieces would sail through without turning one of her beautiful groomed hairs.

He is sure too that all fat old beef-eating Johnny's female children have bad taste in choosing their clothes and are constitutionally unable to put them on well when they have chosen them. Also he has a vague belief that Englishmen of title say "don't cher know," and are very boring as companions though many of them may be sterling good fellows in their dull way. But he would sacrifice his opinion sooner than any of his cherished ideas about the girls for his boys thank goodness have been brought up to take care of themselves and the girls too; and if any one is benighted enough to think that a son of John Bull can equal a nephew of Uncle Sam le him go on thinking so if only he doesn't venture to compare the girls.

Poor Uncle Sam it is a trifle hard on him that some of the prettiest and nicest of his nieces those to whom he has been kindest will go off sometimes and marry aliens. He blusters a little and scolds them for this yet he is secretly a little proud that the noblest men of other lands seek these delightful nieces of his not only for the money he has given them but for their beauty and charm.

HE RESENTS CRITICISM.

It may be that Uncle Sam is a trifle over sensitive, and peppery if found fault with by his distant relatives the fathers and mothers of the old world, from whom he early flung himself away, to seek his fortune. On his "bad days" he goes about with a "chip on his shoulder," daring the fogies from whom he escaped, to knock it off. He likes to tell them frankly that he has done a lot better without them than he would have done with them, if he had stopped at home. He likes to show his house and possessions, and boast of them a bit, in a good-natured way, and if he is cross when the others pick flaws in these splendid things, calling them "crude," or showing that they prefer their own ancient, faded belongings, that is because he is so much younger than they are.

He is "dear old Uncle Sam" to his own boys and girls; but he is not really old. He is a young man who left his home as a boy, to make his fortune, and who has made it twice over succeeding beyond his wildest dreams, and in spite of the old people's gloomy prophecies.

Young people always are the ones who resent criticism, and fly out against it. When they grow old, like solid, comfortable John Bull, they pass beyond caring what other people think of them

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They are so used to their own superiority that they simply take it for granted, and feel themselves above adverse opinions.

Uncle Sam, however, while just as sure as John that his ways are best, is young enough to want everybody he meets to agree with him, and be vexed at a word of criticism which, from old John Bull, would extort a goodnatured laugh, if it is so much as attended his attention.

HE IS VERY HUMAN.

All this but serves to make him human. If he had not these little quaintnesses he might become a mere gilded automation; but as it is there's no fear that Uncle Sam will ever cease to bristle with individualities. He was always witty and shrewd, a good conversationalist who could put his elder relatives on their metal, and keep them there; but now that he has built himself one of the finest houses in the world, and begun to have time to cultivate his keen intelligence, he has taken to writing books and painting pictures, as well as "inventing inventions," that everybody must have.

He had the sense to choose a splendid site for his house, and he has made things with his own hands, and bought things with his money, such as —take them for all in all—nobody else can show. And he is merely boyishly pleased with them, not one bit offensively conceited. Indeed, he is altogether precisely the sort of man who ought to be "Uncle" to the largest, happiest, most enterprising families of boys and girls in the world; and as one of the dear old boy's nieces, who has never forgotten her allegiance, or drifted away from him in spirit, I say, "May Uncle Sam live for ever, and be as good as he is NOW,—for he couldn't be much better!"

NOTES FROM JAMNAGAR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

JAMNAGAR, APRIL 2.

NOTWITHSTANDING the severe epidemic of plague the cheerfulness of the people here is amazing. Between 20 and 40 deaths have been occurring since February 3rd, daily, and yet in the face of the population there are none of the indications of dire suffering or grief such as we are accustomed to see in a town afflicted with the scourge of pestilence. It is true that the measures,—the most important of which, the encouragement of evacuation of houses,—are enforced in a spirit of sympathetic moderation with great consideration for the feelings of the people in their time of trial. The masses of the population have not been harassed or irritated by the application of measures in the efficiency of which they have no faith. And yet there is the pestilence in their midst slaying the flower of the population, for the adolescents suffer most. Notwithstanding, the masses of the people are in exuberant good temper, dressed gaily, and cheerfully respond to the questionings of the stranger. Never have I seen a population in so cheerful a temper during a severe trial. It is not merely that the occupations of the people are not interrupted but they appear as a people from whom some great fear had been lifted.

The morta ity now registered in Jamnagar would represent a bill of some 1,500 deaths daily in Bombay. It is easy to surmise the consternation that would overtake the greatest city in India if a mortality occurred three times as high as the highest ever known in its densely populated island. Such is the state of Jamnagar and yet such is the appearance of the population that the stranger would imagine the City given over to rejoicing after some great liberation and that an event of national joy had occurred.

The explanation of the national rejoicing must be sought for not merely in the admiration of H. H. Rangitsinhji which was so eloquently referred to in the address of the Agent to H.E. the Governor, Mr. Fitzgerald, but in the past history of the State. The people still remember with terror and horror the lawless acts and outrages of Raloobhai; they still are oppressed with the terror of that period and they feared that the son of the libertine who was so notorious in the eyes of the people of Jamnagar might inherit the State if not the disposition of his father. In these States there is a feeling of great intensity that the good as well as the bad qualities may be transmitted from father to offspring—from generation to generation. And the present rejoicings are not only due to the personal admiration and affection for the new Jam Saheb, but also to a feeling of thanksgiving for deliverance from an overpowering apprehension. The admiration felt for His Highness the Jam was with tactful delicacy expressed in the address of the Agent, Mr. Fitzgerald. There is a deep pathos in the words of one who had known the Jam Saheb as a little boy:—"I have known you", said Mr. Fitzgerald, "since you were a little boy, ever since you were designated as his heir by Jam Vibhaji. I have seen you tried by sore adversity and have admired the pluck, the patience and the restraint with which you have met it, and I have no fear for your future. I am confident that as in the past so in the future you will bear yourself with wisdom and courage." These words express the general feeling on the installation of His Highness, and Mr. Fitzgerald touched the hearts of the Hindus—noble and humble—in the Darbar tent when he impressively said:—"Your long residence in Europe has not lessened or dulled your love of the old Home and your country." The Agent touched a cord of sympathy which has vibrated through the Province when he said that they all rejoiced that "Ranji has come into his own."

In reference to plague measures, it is hopeless to try and persuade the people to be inoculated, owing to their belief in the transmission of other diseases, or other qualities through inoculation. The impression is so deep that it cannot be removed. It is a sentiment that cannot be influenced by argument, for it is too deep in the hearts of the population, to be touched. The population recognises thoroughly the wisdom of fleeing from their homes when rats die or one of the household has fallen a victim. I have been astonished at the cleanliness of Jamnagar, not merely the streets, but the by-lanes and by-ways and the houses. This cleanliness is perceptible in all the villages around and even the large fishing village on the creek is beautifully clean and the houses white from limewash. This city has been called from its numerous temples the Second Cassi, or Benares, but the structures raised to the gods in Jamnagar are far more beautiful than in Benares.

A description of the Masjids and many temples would occupy a whole letter and I must defer it. As Mr. Fitzgerald said, we all trust that Jam Saheb Ranjitsinhji may be spared to make Jamnagar the richest and most prosperous State in Kathiawar. He will no doubt proceed with caution, and that he will give the closest attention to administration is already manifest in his incessant devotion to work and his accessibility to all. The curious sentiment is general that Jam Ranjitsinhji will be a most orthodox Hindu in his life and that as he has seen the follies of the West in his youth, he will seek the solace of religion in his mature years. The Province is fortunate in having an administrator at this time of so much experience as Mr. Fitzgerald and who is so much in sympathy with the people whose interests he has keenly at heart. A great development of this ancient State may be expected, and its prosperity increased. It has the finest harbour in Kathiawar still empty—in Salya, in which the largest steamers could ride at anchor, and it has a pearl industry totally undeveloped. It is natural that the people should expect much for the future.—Visitors still arrive; amongst others, Mr. Priestly, M. P., and Colonel Weir.

A SPECIAL correspondent of the "Jewish Chronicle" tells a horrible story of the outrages practised with impunity on the Jews in Russia, and of the persecution to which they are subject in almost all parts of the empire. He says:—"I have collected data for the months of June, July, August, September and October of last year, and have personal information of 120 cases of outrages on Jewish girls and women, whose ages, range from 10 to 65. This is happening at present in South Russia without pogroms and in tranquil times." The whole air of Russia, says the writer, is poisoned with anti-Semitic bacilli; only three Jews have been elected to the new Duma, whereas in the first there were twelve. He sums up as follows:—"The situation of the Jews in Russia is not better than before, and in some respects it is worse, because the Jews have behind them outrages and see before them pogroms and a sea of blood which will not be less endless than their present sorrows."

EGYPTIAN REFORM.

LORD CROMER'S PANACEA FOR EGYPT'S ILLS.

Nationalism not Wholly Pan-Islamic.

STRIKING REPORT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 4.

Lord Cromer's annual report on the Administration of Egypt details at length his proposals to modify the Capitulations.

He suggests the establishment of a local International Legislative Council composed of thirty-six members as follows:—Four Egyptian Government officials; a European Judge of the Native Court of Appeal; six Judges of the Mixed Courts; twenty members elected by the leading members of the foreign Colonies; and five unofficial members nominated by the Egyptian Government.

The measures of the Council would be subject to the veto of the Egyptian and British Governments.

The Mixed Courts would be required to administer the laws passed by the Council, subject to appeal to the Hague Tribunal.

The Consular Courts would be abolished.

Lord Cromer observes that it is incorrect to say that Egyptian nationalism is wholly Pan-Islamic, though Pan-Islamism nearly led to a fanatical outburst last Spring.

His Lordship believes that the Nationalists aim at the creation of a kind of House of Commons, but says that the adoption of such a proposal would result in chaos and national bankruptcy.

The only possible Egyptian nationality, declares Lord Cromer, must consist of all the dwellers in Egypt, irrespective of race or religion, but Capitulations prevent their adhesion.

PRESS OPINIONS.

The papers dwell on the exceptional international importance of Lord Cromer's report, in view of the reference made to Egyptian Nationalism.

The *Times* says that the views of so accomplished an expert cannot fail to have weight with the mass of sensible men.

The *Morning Post* hopes that the other Powers interested, and particularly France, will now undertake to consider Lord Cromer's proposals.

The *Tribune* says that if Lord Cromer's views are realisable, he will have set the crown upon his great work for Egypt.

The *Standard* remarks that in the face of the growing agitation of a venomous anti-European Press, the Powers would be well advised to waive any rights standing in the way of a firm and consistent Government and the prompt administration of the law.

The *Daily News* says that while Great Britain cannot sympathise with pan-Islamism tending towards the aggrandisement of the Sultan, a sympathetic treatment of rationalist ambitions of the educated Egyptians would provide the best antidote to this danger.

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE

Disarmament Insisted.

LONDON, APRIL 3.

Great Britain insists on her proposal to place disarmament in the Hague Programme but accompanies it with a suggestion to refer the matter to a Committee in the Conference with Naval and Military representatives excluded therefrom.

RESERVATIONS.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

Russia has circularised the Powers indicating the reservations of the different powers regarding Russia's Hauge Conference programme of 1906.

America, Spain and Great Britain suggest the inclusion of the limitation of armaments.

Britain, Japan, Germany, Austria, and Russia reserve the liberty of not participating in any discussion which they consider not to be conducive to a satisfactory result.

Russia requests the Netherlands to summon the Conference on the 15th June.

ROUMANIAN TROUBLES.

Restoration of Tranquillity.

LONDON, APRIL 3.

All the Roumanian Prefects report that tranquility is everywhere restored.

THE STRIKE AT PORT SAID.

Native Workmen Combine.

LONDON, APRIL 3.

The natives in the Canal Company's workshops have joined the strike at Port Said.

THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

Further Failures.

LONDON, APRIL 3.

There were three failures on the Stock Exchange yesterday and to-day, including an old-established Broker, involving a considerable amount.

THE BITLIS EARTHQUAKE.

Further Casualties.

LONDON, APRIL 3.

Still stronger shocks have been experienced at Bitlis resulting in further casualties and havoc.

RECURRING SHOCKS.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

Twenty eight earthquake shocks have been felt at Bitlis and, of four thousand houses, over three hundred have fallen and half of the remainder are seriously damaged.

Eight people have been killed and many injured. Many Churches, Mosques and Government buildings have been damaged.

THE COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

ARRIVAL OF DELEGATES.

Future of General Botha.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 3.

Dr. Jameson, the Natal Premier, and Mr. Moor have arrived. General Botha is expected on the 13th April and the Hon'ble Alfred Deakin, the Australian Prime Minister, about the same date.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the Newfoundland representative, Sir R. Bond, sail on the 6th instant.

Both Dr. Jameson and Mr. Moor declare for preferential trade in the most emphatic manner.

Says the *St. James's Budget*:—So General Prime Minister Botha is to come to England to attend the Colonial Conference as the representative of the youngest of all the Colonies. We need hardly say that he will have a warm and respectful welcome from men of all parties. As to the wisdom of the invitation and its acceptance we should not care to pronounce too definite an opinion. It may be well that Louis Botha, whose new responsibilities are so heavy and whose "sea-change into something new and strange" is so very remarkable, should rub shoulders with other Colonial Ministers who have not had the advantage of being lately in arms against the British Crown, and learn by contact with Colonial opinion and English life how best to carry out in a loyal spirit the great duties that have been given, surely magnanimously and possibly rashly, into his charge. On the other hand, is it well that in the first hours of the new Transvaal Ministry and the first days of the new system its chief should leave the scene of his new labours and hand the personal direction of affairs even into the glorious control of Mr. Smuts? It is a nice point, but we may hope that General Botha will learn something—in different ways—from the examples of the Colonial Premiers and our English ones. And if the Government have invited their new ally solely in order to "peacefully persuade" him into the [illegible] of Chinese labour they have reckoned, [illegible] fancy, without their guest.

[illegible] OF CONTROVERSY.

LONDON, APRIL 4.

A political controversy is beginning to gather round the Colonial Conference, the Protectionist papers giving prominence to the general concurrence of opinion among the colonial Premiers in favour of preferential trade, while the ministerial papers retort pointing out the strong differences between the Premiers on other questions.

THE TROUBLES IN PERSIA.

Subsiding.

A telegram from St Petersburg states that tranquillity has been restored at Sabzevar.

The fugitive Russians are returning, escorted by twenty-five Cossacks.

Persia is taking vigorous measures to punish the participators in the anti-Russian movement.

BREACH OF TRUST.

Prosecution of three Babus.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4

Yesterday afternoon in the Calcutta Police Court, before Mr. D. H. Kingsford, I. C. S., Mr. Hume, prosecuted Satish Chandra Sen, Butto Krishto Ghose, Ram Chandra Banerji and Lakhi Kanto Mallick for having, as Superintendent, Managing Director, Managing Agent and Clerk, respectively, of the Indian Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, on or about the 15th of February last, and being in such capacity entrusted with dominion over property, to wit Rs. 1070-5-6 committed criminal breach of trust in respect of that property. It is alleged that they converted this money to their own use and falsely and dishonestly shewed that sum as expended in travelling expenses in journeys that were never undertaken, false vouchers being filed in the office at 81, Bentinck Street, to cover this defalcation. There were several other charges against the accused. Evidence was partly taken and accused released on bail of Rs. 3,000 each and on furnishing two sureties for Rs. 1,500 each.

FAMILY PENSION FUND.

Annual Report.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

The Third annual report of the new Service Family Pension Fund has just been published and shows that the number of subscribers has doubled since it was established, there being 66 now on the list. Of these, 19 joined during the year. On the other hand there was a diminution of three, viz: two by withdrawal and one by death, which brought the first incumbent on the Fund a widow, who was admitted to a pension of Rs. 20 per month. The Accumulated Funds amounted to Rs. 4771-7-0 on the 1st of January 1907. A change of procedure has been adopted by allowing Officers on leave out of India to be examined medically with a view of their immediate admission into the Fund. An Actuary is engaged in the preparation of new tables of subscription on mortality and marriage expenses of the Unconvenanted Service Family Pension Fund for the year ending on the 30th April 1907.

MADRAS SWIMMING COMPETITION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 4.

A very interesting swimming match was brought off this evening between Mr. C. A. Flowers, who is a swimmer of considerable repute, possessing many English and Indian swimming trophies and having broken several records in Bombay, and Lance Corpl. Bastow of the Sherwood Foresters who though having no public record, is acknowledged the best short distance swimmer in his regiment. Flowers is the holder of Lord Reay's Cup of the Bombay Swimming Club for 200 yards, and winner of the Gold Medal Captaincy race in Bombay of 200 yards; holder of the Oxford University Tide Race in June 1906, when he covered 50 yards in 27⅗ seconds; and the Bombay Presidency record of 67 yards in 43 seconds. He has competed at Sutton in Surrey against Healy the Australian champion and with 5 seconds concession won this evening's race which was held in aid of deserving local charities. But not too many attended though it was a representative gathering. The course was 75 yards across the tank and back. Both men started well together diving off the board at 4 feet from the water. Flowers led the first time across and touched the bar and commenced the return journey first, but he was over-hauled by Bastow, ten yards further on. Both men swam the over hand stroke, going all they could. Bastow was timed in at 54⅕ seconds and Flowers at 55 seconds.

Mr. G. V. Scovell was judge, Major Wolley-Dod of the Sherwood Foresters and Mr. Oscar Dignum keeping time. About Rs. 30 was collected at the gate.

JUSTICE Geidt will leave Calcutta for England on Thursday next on three months' leave.

THE CHIEF OF AUNDH'S TRIAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SATARA, APRIL 4.

The Aundh Commission sat continuously from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to-day. Before proceedings commenced the Hon'ble Mr. Logan, the president, intimated that he had received a telegram from the Bombay Government in reply to the telegram despatched yesterday by the Chief of Aundh and he had to say that Government did not think it desirable to alter the constitution of the Commission. He further remarked that there was no necessity for the Chief to remain in Court, but that he could do so if he liked. The Chief preferred to remain. In outlining the case for the prosecution Mr. Rao, the pleader for the Crown, referred to the charge against the Chief and the circumstances which led to his succession to the *Gadi*. Coming to the charge itself he explained that relations between the Chief and his Kharbari, Mr. Jacob Bapu Israel were never cordial. On the contrary they were always at enmity because the Kharbari disapproved of his dissolute ways and had occasion to report his conduct on one occasion to the Political Agent. Before his accession, the Chief had written to the Political Agent speaking in high terms of praise of the Kharbari's administrative abilities, but that recommendation Counsel maintained was merely a blind to get the Kharbari on to his side. With regard to the crime with which the Chief is charged it could be traced to the bitter ill-will which he bore to the Kharbari who persistently refused to consult him on any matters of State. On the death of his father the present Chief wanted to remove all old servants from the State and introduce his favourites. This the Kharbari refused to countenance and it led to further animosity. The Chief was installed in November 1905, and from that time he appeared to vow revenge towards the Karbhari.

Coming again to the charge the facts were these:—on the 4th May, Constable Govinda told the Karbhari that he heard a conversation between Balku Ingle, Personal Clerk of the Chief and Kesavarao Dalvi, Head Constable at Aundh. Dalvi had asked Balku when the Karbhari was to be sent away. Balku said the Chief was going to send him away soon. Govinda suspected that Balku was instigating Pira Mang, an escaped convict from Aundh jail to do something wrong to the Kharbari, and he gave him the information. Pira had escaped through the instigation of a Brahmin convict in Aundh jail named Bhaskar Pundit who was formerly employed as Karkun in the late Chief's house. The old man, Bhaskar, had been intimate with the Chief's mother and Chief himself, prior to his installation; he was convicted by the Kharbari of criminal misappropriation of the Chief's property. The chief had desired that on Bhasker's conviction he should not be given hard labour and, on the Kharbari consenting, made him convict the warder. The Chief had visited the jail one day and ordered special clothing for Bhaskar. The day after Pira Mang's escape the Kharbari learnt that Bhaskar was involved in letting Pira go and Bhaskar was reduced and put on hard labour by orders of the Kharbari. On the 16th May the Kharbari saw Mr. Wallinger, the D. S. P. of Satara, in camp, and informed him of Pira's escape and added that he believed Pira and Balkur Ingle and Sitaram Kulkarni intended to do him harm. Wallinger took note of what he said, when there was an effort made to catch Pira who was living openly in the village of Chinchni in British territory. The Kharbari visited the Political Agent at Wai on some important State matters and explained to him that an attempt was being made on his life and while he was away at Wai, Pira was arrested and conveyed to Aundh. Pira now made a clean breast of his game. After the Chief's birthday in January 1906, several prisoners were released from Aundh jail but the Kharbari would not consent to the release of Pira and Balku. Balku and Kassam Balder, the Chief's *chobdar*, informed Pira that they would endeavour to secure his release and after his release he should collect men and commit a dacoity at the Kharbari's house, cut off his hands and feet and kill him. Some time after, the Chief visited Aundh and the jail and had occasion to come across some geese which were in the neighbouring tank. He ordered the geese to be sent to their camp, Pira took the birds to him under escort of a warder. The Chief, Balku and Pira were together and the Chief is alleged to have said to Pira: "Do as Balku has told you and I shall reward you." Krishna reported that Pira had been spoken, to by the Chief. Pira subsequently effected his escape and was discovered at Chinchni plotting with several Mangs to commit the dacoity and murder of Kharbari at Balku's suggestion, and in complicity with Bhaskar. While Pira was at Chinchni the Chief appears to have expressed his annoyance to somebody at Pira's delay in not carrying out the plot he was expected to do against Kharbari. Badya Mang who was one of the gang collected by Pira gave information of the plot to Mr. Wallinger, D. S. P. This was in April 1906. In May the Kharbari also got wind of it from certain persons in Aundh. Mr. Wallinger at first discredited the story but eventually was convinced of the truth of the plot. At the instance of the Chief, while Pira was at Chinchni, Balku constantly visited him and took him to task for delaying to carry out the plot. Balku and one Rama Mang, who was introduced to the Chief by Balku, visited the Chief one day and informed him that Pira was doing his best, but the Chief got angry over the delay. Rama asked the Chief for Rs. 25 and he got it and this payment was recorded by the Aundh Kulkarni. When Pira was captured and brought to Aundh the Kharbhari wrote to the Political Agent and disclosed the Chief's conduct. The Political Agent asked that Pira should be sent to him and he took down Pira's confession. In December a warrant was issued against Balku but he had disappeared to Poona and thence to Bombay assuming a wrong name at both places. When the Chief was asked by the Political Agent about Balku's disappearance he said he had gone on short leave and denied that Balku was his Private Secretary. The Chief himself left for Bombay all of a sudden after this enquiry on the plea of ill-health and stayed in Bombay a for month.

These were salient points and Counsel relied on evidence recorded by the Political Agent to bear them out, together with the evidence of witnesses.

A clerk in the Political Agent's office was then called. He produced certain papers from that office regarding the Chief and Aundh affairs and put them in. Jacob Bapuji Israel the Kharbari gave evidence at length bearing out the above facts and detailing the enmity between him and the Chief.

Several other witnesses gave corroborative evidence.

THE GERMAN S. S. "KATTENTURN."

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

The Hansa Line s. s. "Kattenturn" which went ashore on Tuesday at Melancholy Point is to be moved from her present moorings at Garden Reach to a berth in the Kidderpore Docks this afternoon, where she will be able to take out a lot of her cargo and lighten enough to allow of the Port Commissioner's diver examining her bottom and so satisfy Lloyd's Surveyor that she is undamaged.

BANK OF BENGAL.

Branch at Simla.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

The importance of Simla as a centre, for seven months each year, of the finances of the administration of India, is becoming so generally recognised that the four Anglo-Indian Banks already established there are to be reinforced by a fifth, the Bank of Bengal having decided to open a branch at Dalziel House upon the Mall with effect from the 15th instant.

ARRIVAL OF THE "HARDINGE."

The Royal Indian Marine steamer "Hardinge" Commander G. A. Rose, arrived in Bombay harbour yesterday, from Aden, with Government stores and the following passengers:—Major Whit-Combe, wife, child and nurse; wife of Capt. Pocock; Mr. Handerson, wife and child; Conductor Pearson, wife and 2 children; Staff Sergt. Adams, 1 native clerk and wife, 48 men, 6 women and 7 children.

VICTORIA MEMORIAL HALL.

Disposal of the Exhibits.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 4.

The *Pioneer* says that a very sensible decision has been reached regarding the collection of pictures, books, MSS., old armour, etc., which is eventually to be placed in the Victoria Memorial Hall at Calcutta if it is ever built. The collection has been on view in the Indian Museum at Chowringhee for some three years and been added to from time to time since Lord Curzon presided at the opening ceremony. But the Trustees of the Memorial, recognising the risks that are likely to be run by leaving rare and valuable articles exposed for an indefinite time, have just decided to place them in safe keeping. A carefully prepared list has been made out showing every separate exhibit and with whom it is to be placed. The very large pictures will remain in the Museum, others will go to Government House, Belvedere, Town Hall, and the Commander-in-Chief's Quarters in Fort William. Many of the articles lent by Indian Chiefs and gentlemen or by public bodies will be returned to them.

The list will state how everything has been disposed of and thus, when the time comes, the collection can be gathered together again. This is the only course that could be followed in the circumstances especially as doubts have arisen as to the practicability of building the Memorial Hall on the site selected.

THE FARIDPUR TRAGEDY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

Intelligence by wire has been received by the Commissioner of Police from the authorities at Faridpur that the man Ramji Dass who, as previously reported, surrendered after accusing himself of having three years ago over a petty quarrel murdered his servant named Bhaggat at Faridpur if wanted to meet a charge in connection with that tragedy. Accordingly orders have been issued by the Commissioner of Police to Sind to take the accused under custody to Faridpur.

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

Replying to a question put at yesterday's meeting of the Assam Legislative Council Mr. Le Mesurier said that Government was quite determined to use every means at its command to suppress all rioting but that the proposal to form a Vigilance Committee does not commend itself to Government; still, Government are aware of the importance and desirability of obtaining help of the Hindu and Mahomedan leaders in the matter.

The Hon'ble Mr. Kershaw presented the Budget. He said they probably were at the end of the year about 12 lakhs better off than was anticipated when the Budget was prepared. As to the estimate for the year 1907-08, the opening balances has been taken at Rs. 6,037,000; the closing balance of the revised estimate provides for receipts aggregating Rs. 23,866,000, for expenditure Rs. 25,481,000, and for a closing balance of Rs. 45,32,000, necessitating a reduction of the provincial balances by Rs. 15,05,100.

THE NARAINGUNJ FIRE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

A special report to the *Indian Daily News* about the Naraingunj fire says that Russick Lall Dull was arrested one week after the fire. Two days after, his confession was recorded before a Magistrate, incriminating himself and other accused, his statement being to the effect that the place was fired by Mahapat Singh, Jemadar; Sheonarain Singh, Darwan and Akbar Khan, Fireman, at the instance of Mr. Savage. Russick had been Head Clerk for the fortnight previous, the Head Clerk having been dismissed.

According to another account the general belief is that Mr. Savage is not guilty but more likely that the fire was the work of somebody interested in concealing defalcations and shortage in the store. An application was made this morning for the release of the remaining accused except Russick, but refused.

Mr. Savage was bailed by his father who is a Member of the Board of Revenue in the Assam Government.

BLAZE ON THE MAIDAN.

Cinematograph Destroyed.

A TWENTY-MINUTE FIRE.

It is an old axiom that when a good blaze takes place it is invariably followed quickly by two others in the same locality. "Fires" seem to run in trios, and the Oak Lane fire of Good Friday has been followed by another blaze which, for a few minutes, was a veritable inferno. Last evening the well-known Cinematograph erection in Cruickshank Road was burnt to the ground, in consequence of a slight accident to the lighting arrangements. About a hundred people are said to have patronised the Show at the evening performance, and directly after they had quitted the canvas building a piece of carbon from the arc light fell on to the apparatus below, and in a few minutes the whole erection was a flaming mass. Happily there was no one in the building to be injured, otherwise the blaze might have proved a very serious affair. As it was the fire was a short one, and nothing was left of the Show but the wooden frame. No one was injured, but the cinematograph apparatus and about a score of chairs were more or less destroyed. The erection was uninsured, but as the structure was of very thin material, the loss is not great.

Another account says that one of the electric wires which supplied light to the pavilion broke just where the operator's cabin stood. This was at ten minutes to eight in the evening. The broken wire touched the canvas and the electric current set it on fire. On an alarm being raised the audience rushed for the doors from which they found easy exit. The people in the front rows, mostly Europeans were quick to find the way out, but those in the second and third classes made confusion worse confounded by their cries for help and assistance. The flames were then confined to the vicinity of the operator's cabin in the first class enclosure. In their confusion, several Hindus and Mahomedans left behind them either their "pagdi" or topee or their foot-wear. But the progress of the flames was frightfully rapid, The Cinematograph Show was being run under the management of Messrs. E. Patel and Company of Kalbadevi Road, and the engine, the dynamo and the operating cabin were manned by Hindus. Just as the audience had cleared out, the management tried to save the films and the cinematograph machinery. They succeeded in saving a large number of costly films, as well as the machinery, but the time was too short to save many of the films, which were reduced to ashes. It took hardly five minutes for the flames to envelop the whole pavilion, which was over two hundred feet long, thirty feet wide and forty feet high,—all canvas set on wooden framework. The Fire Brigade was communicated with and the Fort engine was the first to arrive on the scene. It played on the smouldering flames and soon put them out. Several chairs were also burnt, while a number of them were saved by a few Parsee youths. The duration of the fire was about quarter-of-an-hour, by which time, the whole pavilion was burnt down, and damage to the extent of about Rs. 5,000 was done. The engine-room with its dynamo escaped uninjured. None of the property damaged was insured.

CALCUTTA PLAGUE RETURNS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, APRIL 4.

The Plague figures for Calcutta are against going up. On the 30th March there were 23 seizures and 19 deaths; on the 31st, 26 and 23; and on the 1st instant 36 and 37, respectively.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

THE SISTER QUEENS.

Society and the Suffrage.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 15.

IT is characteristic of the English love of the sea that even the most radical of us heard with a little thrill of satisfaction that little Prince Albert of Wales is destined for the Navy, and, that with his brother Prince Edward, is to have the advantage of a world tour on board one of His Majesty's ships. The present Prince of Wales endeared himself to an older generation by the sailor stories of his good fellowship and obvious love of the free-and-easy life of the sea. On board the "Bacchante" everyone had a good word for "Prince George" as he then was. With him on board the "Bacchante" was his elder brother the late Prince Albert and now Prince George's own two boys are following in their father's and uncle's footsteps. Prince Edward, at the special desire of King Edward, is to enter the Navy.

The "Bacchante" tour, it may be recalled, extended over three years. During the whole period of the tour the Princes were treated exacty like other midshipmen, took their watch in all weathers by day and by night. This precedent, it is believed, will be followed in the case of the young Princes.

THE SISTER QUEENS.

Fresh from the gloom and tragedy with which Russia is overshadowed it is striking evidence of the kindly disposition of our guest the Dowager Empress of Russia that she should find time during her short stay in London to visit scenes of sickness and suffering in the East End.

For over three hours the other afternoon the Empress with her sister Queen Alexandra brightened with their presence the wards of the London Hospital in Whitechapel, and during their stay held cheery conversations with many of the patients. While their Majesties were inspecting the Children's Ward a charming incident occurred which well illustrated the Queen's kindness of heart. A little boy, with true juvenile impudence, asked Her Majesty for a bunch of lovely violets which she was wearing, and the Queen smilingly detaching them from her jacket handed them to him. It is pleasant to be able to record that the little recipient treasured his gift with much care and refused to part with his beloved violets even when tempted by a bribe of two kisses from one of the nurses.

In crossing over to the hospital proper, the two visitors, refusing to make use of the tunnel, walked down the notorious slum known as Oxford Street, E. without any apparent anxiety concerning the hosts of foreign anarchists and revolutionaries who infest the neighbourhood. Queen Alexandra is of course as safe in the East End as in Buckingham Palace, but for the Russian Empress to walk unguarded through a district swarming with Russian refugees who have sought escape in London from the horrors of Russian misrule required some courage. On their way back to Buckingham Palace the two Queens stopped for a brief time at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Another afternoon they motored down to Windsor Castle in the beautiful white car which was the King's birthday gift to Queen Alexandra and after luncheon the Queen took her sister over the private and State apartments pointing out the many alterations and improvements which had taken place since she was last there, so many years ago. Their Majesties returned to town in the evening in time to take part in the brilliant dinner which the Queen was giving at Buckingham Palace in celebration of the forty-fourth anniversary of her marriage with King Edward, whose holiday at Biarritz of course prevented him being present.

LORD WILLIAM NEVILLE.

Unkind fate seems to dog the footsteps of Lord William Neville who again finds himself in the dock this time on a charge of stealing £400 worth of jewellery, by means of a [illegible] Swedish pawnbroker.

The allegation against Lord William, who was arrested on Wednesday at his house in Eaton Place, Belgrave Square, is that by means of a carefully planned and very ingenious piece of trickery he pawned some diamond and pearl jewellery, recovered the case on some pretext, and then substituted for it a jewel case containing two pieces of coal wrapped in tissue paper. Bail was fixed at £5,000.

Lord William Neville who is the son of the venerable Marquis of Abergavenny has, as all the world remembers, once before been in the clutches of the law. His interesting study on prison life "Penal Servitude," published four years ago, is a memorial of that unhappy experience.

Four years short of fifty, tall and handsome, with a fine military carriage, Lord William is a distinguished looking figure. Formerly A. D. C. to the Viceroy of Ireland he was received into the Roman Catholic Church and his friends even understood that he was studying for the priesthood.

Lord William is connected with many noble families. One of his sisters married Lord Brassey's heir, another is the Countess of Cottenham and a third Lady Violet Myddleton, the lady who was once the wife of Earl Cowley.

A MYSTERY SOLVED.

A twenty-three year old mystery has been solved by death.

To the *Truth* Doll Show each year since 1883 a mysterious benefactor has sent a new sixpence for every child in the London Work houses and Workhouse schools. Each year Mr. Labouchere, the founder of the famous show, has publicly expressed his regret that he could not have the pleasure of thanking the unknown benefactor of the little ones, and the public have wondered much. And now they learn through the family of the late Sir Francis Tress Barry, whose death was recently announced, that Sir Francis was the kind donor who all these years has veiled his identity from the public. Just about Christmas time in 1883 a commissionaire dropped into the *Truth* office with a big parcel of six-pences fresh from the mint and a letter signed by a friend requesting Mr. Labouchere to distribute the coins to the children in the Work-house schools. The number of sixpences was then 5,000 but it has grown with the needs of the little pauper children and for many years now a parcel containing 11,000 new six-pences has arrived a few days before Christmas.

SOCIETY AND THE SUFFRAGE.

The Suffrage agitation has spread to the drawing rooms of Mayfair and Belgravia with a vengeance. Drawing-room meetings for the consideration of franchise problems are a matter of daily occurrence, now the that season may be said to have fairly begun. Last Friday when the ill-fated Women's Suffrage Bill, the pride and hope of all would-be-suffragists was "talked out," the Ladies, Gallery in the House of Commons was thronged with society ladies. A fashionable matinee is to be held shortly at which only Suffragist actresses are to take part, and the number of those ladies by the way is much larger than might be supposed. "We want" said Miss Constance Smedley the clever young founder of the Lyceum Club that palatial Piccadilly home of the professional woman, to me the other night "to let the public know that young and pretty women and charming women too are interested in Women's Suffrage". And there is a good deal in the idea after all.

Society with a big "S" is, as might be expected, divided on the subject. While the Suffragists have the Countess of Carlisle, Lady Frances Balfour, Lady Dorothy Howard, Lady Laura Ridding, Lady William Lennox, the Hon. Mrs. Broderick, Lady Trevelyan, Lady Denman, Lady Lindsay and Lady Mary Murray the "antis" claim, the Duchess of Montrose, Viscountess Galway, Countess of Coventry, Lady Theodora Guest, Lady Florence Dunconbe, Lady Llangattock, the Countess of Ilchester and Lady Maud Wilbraham. The honours in fact are fairly equally divided.

The Matinee referred to will not be the only Suffragist attraction behind the footlights. At least two Suffrage plays are announced, one of them by a member of the militant section of the movement, the Women's Social and Political Union. This is Miss Elizabeth Robins, the author of many novels, and "The Creator" of Ibsen roles. Miss Smedley's description fits Miss Robins perfectly. She is still young, good looking and most charming. The scene of the second act of her play by the way is laid in Trafalgar Square and a Suffrage riot is in full swing.

WHITE GLOVES DOOMED.

London is looking its best just now in its lovely spring dress and the windows of the West End shops are so temptingly full of dainty novelties that there is little wonder that every one seems to find some excuse for shopping. Even our Russian Royal guest, who has devoted so much of her time to visiting the hospital wards, the workhouse schools and charitable institutions of many kinds, has together with the Queen been lured by the fascinations of Bond Street.

Light and dainty colours, much lace and exquisite embroideries are the key notes of the new fashions and, by the way, I am assured on unimpeachable authority that the white glove is doomed for the present. Only women know what an infliction and extravagance that same white glove has been. After a single time of wearing the white glove is really only fit for the cleaner's hands and elbow length white gloves at 5s. 6d. a pair which can only be worn once become a serious item in the dress expenditure. And yet such was the tyranny of the white glove that no woman dared appear at an "At Home" with her hands encased in aught else.

The glove that has taken its place is of a delicate pearl grey tint, easily soiled it is true but the life of the grey glove is long when compared with that of the white.

COVENT GARDEN HATS.

Judging by the new spring "creations" in the shop windows the milliners appear to have gone to Covent Garden Market for inspiration this season. Last season grapes, both the purple and white varieties, were extensively used as hat-trimmings and so were acorns and nuts. But this season hats are veritable market gardens heavily laden with an extraordinary variety of the produce of the vegetable kingdom. Tangerine oranges for instance are one of the latest Parisian millinery trimmings. A wreath of tangerines makes a most effective garnish for a spring hat. Green figs are even more original. The figs are made of velvet and nestle among a mass of bright, clean fig-leaves. A fig toque is quite the newest among hats. Russet apples have their devotees too, but perhaps the most amazing of fruitarian trimmings are tomatoes. A cluster of half ripe tomatoes showing the red green turning to rich tomato-red has decided attractions. Strawberries and red currants are promised rather later in the season.

ARBUTHNOT BANKRUPTCY.

Justice Subramania Iyer's Views.

Sir George Arbuthnot's Vested Interest.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, APRIL 4.

Sir George Arbuthnot, in the course of his cross-examination by Mr. Krishnaswamy Iyer, yesterday, said that in 1893 his accounts in credit were to the extent of Rs. 80,000. At the time of the suspension of business in 1906 he was in debit to the extent of Rs. 780,000 which represented accumulations since 1893. In 1893, they had lent considerably above £ 200,000. He could not fix a definite figure, Rs. 780,000 was to debit in the Madras firm and distinct from the drawings from the London House.

He had drawn Rs. 1,62,484 from the Home account. A portion of this sum was spent in the repayment of the mortgage of his house No. 4, Grosvenor Crescent, London. The interest he had in his marriage settlement was that the Trustees had to pay him interest during his life or until insolvency, after which he had to pay it to his wife on value of property settled, the total amount being £30,000. There were two settlements of £10,000 by his father and another £20,000 by his father-in-law, making a total £30,000, and the whole of that money was invested in what was called Trustees Stock value the amount of investment being about Rs. 4,00,000.

LORD KITCHENER'S RETIREMENT.

Speculation as to his Successor.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 4.

The story which has found publication at Home regarding the re-filling of the Indian Commander in-Chiefship is premature. Lord Kitchener's term does not expire until next November and the matter will not come up officially until about July. It has hitherto been the custom to appoint Commanders-in Chief for India from Home and Indian Armies alternately. Should Lord Kitchener not accept an extension it would be the turn for an officer belonging to the Indian Services, and the claims of distinguished Indian Army officers, like General Sir Edmund Barrow, could scarcely be overlooked in favour of even so prominent a British Service General as Sir Ian Hamilton.

SUPPLY AND TRANSPORT AMALGAMATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 4.

The amalgamation of the Supply and Transport Branches under the Indian Army Department came into effect on the 1st instant and seems likely to effect a considerable increase in efficiency upon the system hitherto in force, whereby the direction of this necessary service was split up between the Supply Member and the Army Head-quarters.

NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.

The Zakkha Khels Quieting Down.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 4.

The North West Frontier continues quiet, and even the Zakkha Khels, whose raids have been its only disturbing feature for some time past, appear to be beginning to realise that it is high time for them to restrain wilder spirits amongst them from embroiling the tribe irrevocably with the authorities upon the British side of the border.

GOVERNMENT OFFICES IN SIMLA.

Opening of the Season.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 4.

The Government of India offices are now open here and the Member of Council for the Finance Department, the Postmaster General, Director General of Telegraphs and a few other Heads of Departments have arrived. Most other higher officials are still on tour and Government business will not be in full swing until the Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief return.

ALIGARH COLLEGE TROUBLES.

Gist of the Report.

LUCKNOW, APRIL 4.

It is believed that the report of the Aligarh Committee, with some dissentients, recommends that the Aligarh affairs should be left at the stage to which they have now come. Students have returned; the College is full; agitation has subsided, and it would be better for the College if things were left as they are. It is rumoured that one of the Committee recommended the dismissal of the Provost, Mr. Gardner Brown, and that another recommended that his emoluments as Provost should be discontinued, whilst another, a Trustee, threatened to resign on this account.

THE Bank of Bengal opens a branch at Simla this year.

KARACHI NOTES AND NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, APRIL 1.

A STRIKE.

It would be interesting to know the history of strikes in India, whether of occurrence in former or only in modern days. The power of the proletariat is in no other way so strongly exemplified as in that, by the cessation of their ordinary vocations, the humblest members of society can wring from their masters not only mere rights but also privileges. The Khojas who hold the fruit and vegetable stalls in the municipal market had a grievance. They paid increasing monthly rentals for continuous occupancy of their stalls, but from time to time outsiders who paid only a trifle were permitted to enter and compete with th[illegible] case was not unlike that of the rate-rob[illegible] keeper and the costermonger whose ea[illegible] such a noise two or three years ago i[illegible] Further, when dead rats were found [illegible] stalls and they shifted temporarily to an[illegible] spot, an attempt was made to levy fresh [illegible] them.

Accordingly, when the 6 months' lea[illegible] the Khojas in a body refused to take up [illegible] again unless their grievances were redre[illegible] municipal officials, it is said, were uncom[illegible] in their attitude and consigned the strik[illegible] we say to Tartarus? However, it was [illegible] that the inhabitants of Karachi should [illegible] without the necessities of life, and the Pre[illegible] the Municipality intervened and effected [illegible] settlement. The fact that the Khojas have lost nothing by combined action is not lost upon the Bunnias and the butchers. Further trouble is likely to occur with them presently, but it is doubtful if the same steady combination can be made in their cases. The drivers and proprietors of bhyl-gharries have strong grievances against the police. It is said these men also intend to strike. Should they do so they will paralyse industry, and consequently are very likely to secure their wishes. However reasonable their demand may be, it is impossible to view this spread of the strike spirit with equanimity. The reports hitherto published of this Khoja strike, were not accurate.

"IN POINT OF FACT,—TOO MANY"

The fact that there are no less than 13 candidates in the field for the vacancy on the Legislative Council caused by the death of Sirdar Mahomed Yoonb is striking evidence of the lack there is of leaders among Sindhis. The *Sind Gazette* is supporting Professor Shahani and the *Phoenix* Mr. Harchandrai Vishandass, a pleader. Both of these candidates, however, are Hindus, and the electing Zemindars number 713 Mahomedans against only 228 Hindus. The favourite Mahomedan candidate is Mr. Ghulam Mahomed, who is, however, a mere youth of nineteen years. It will be interesting to see to what extent, if at all, other reasons can prove more effective than the bonds of caste and creed.

Now Mr. Harchandrai is before the public again, it would be well to learn from him what is being done about the memorial to his friend and patron, the late Mr. Tiharam, C. I. E., President of the Municipality. If the silver words of praise uttered fifteen months ago have materialised to any extent, Mr. Harchandrai should have at least a crore of rupees to the credit of the fund! No accounts have been published, but it is rumoured that, except for the amount subscribed by Europeans, *practically nothing has been given*. If this is true, Mr. Tiharam's friends have much indeed to be ashamed of; never did promise so utterly outrun performance. The matter cannot be kept out of sight for ever, for whatever the meanness of the mass of the Karachi Anvils, the European subscribers must have an account, and that speedily, of what is being done with their money.

PORT TRUST *versus* MUNICIPALITY.

These two bodies are at wide variance as to the value of the land along the Queen's Road required for the new export yard.

The Municipality goes into the thing on actuarial basis and demands about 9 lakhs or Rs. [illegible] per yard. The Port Trust [illegible] offers above a third [illegible] sum demanded. One passage from the Port [illegible] last letter raised a great storm in the Mu[illegible] camp. The passage ran: "They (the Port [illegible] are constrained to add that they consider th[illeg

been started here by the Reverend G. Nicholls, Garrison Chaplain. The argument of the Y. W. C. A. is that their body was first in the field and that there is no scope for two societies in the town. The Garrison Chaplain asserts that the G. F. S is not necessarily antagonistic to the Y. W. C. A., and that a body that includes even a Jewess among its members is not the best religious association for young church-women. In this he has the support of the Bishop of Lahore. Of course, as a social institution, the Y. W. C. A. will hold its own. What raises the gorge of the church powers is that the youthful members of their flocks who attend Y. W. C. A. meetings are prayed and preached over by Methodists and Presbyterians. The G. F. S. on the other hand is purely a church institution and requires its members to practice regular attendance at the Eucharist. The question is whether such coerced attendance is not wholly bad.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Mr. A. F. H. Comber Officers in charge of His Highness the ex-King Thebaw, is granted privilege leave for one month and twenty-five days combined with furlough for four months and five days with effect from the 15th May or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. A. K. Cama, B.A., L.L.B, (Cantab.) Bar-at-Law, I. C. S., to act as Political Agent, Jawar, vice Mr. J. A. G. Wales, M.A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., proceeding on leave, pending further orders.

Rao Bahadur Hari Vinayak Sathe to act as Superintendent, Revenue Survey, Maratha States, vice Mr. F. B. Young, proceeding on leave, pending further orders.

Mr. G. D. French, I. C. S., Assistant Remembrancer of Legal Affairs and Secretary to the Council of the Governor of Bombay for making Laws and Regulations, is granted privilege leave for six weeks with effect from the 30th April, or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner of Bombay, is granted leave out of India for six months with effect from the 1st May, or to the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Commander F. Dobson, Royal Indian Marine, Officiating Port Officer, Aden, to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the Government of Bombay other than the Presidency Town of Bombay.

The vice the Honourable Mr. Justice F. C. O. Beaman, I.C.S., with effect from the 15th February. The Honourable Mr. Justice J. J. Heaton, I.C.S., to be Judicial Commissioner of Sind, continuing to act as a Judge of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay, pending further orders.

Mr. A. Lucas, I.C.S., to be Additional Judicial Commissioner of Sind, continuing to act as Judicial Commissioner of Sind, pending further orders.

Mr. C. H. Brierley, Superintendent, His Majesty's House of Correction, and Governor of the Government Male Workhouse, Bombay, is granted, with effect from the 27th April 1907 or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to one year.

Mr. T.J. Reed to act as Superintendent, His Majesty's House of Correction, and Governor of the Government Male Workhouse, Bombay.

Mr. Kaikhusru Mancherji Clubwalla to act as Superintendent, District Prison, Karachi, vice Mr. H. A. Just appointed to act as Personal Assistant to the Inspector-General of Prisons.

Mr. J. A. G. Wales, M. A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., Collector of Thana, is granted privilege leave for three months in combination with furlough for fifteen months from 10th May or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. A. K. Cama, B. A., LL. B. (Cantab.). Bar-at-Law, I. C. S., to act as Collector of Thana and to be Member and President of the Local Board established for the Thana District vice Mr. J. A. G. Wales, M. A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., proceeding on leave, pending further orders.

Mr. G. H. Cowan, I. C. S., Assistant Collector, Belgaum, is allowed privilege leave for three months with effect from 24th May, or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. Vishnu Raghunath Kelkar, L.C.E., Huzar Deputy Collector, Sholapur, is allowed privilege leave for two months with effect from 16th April, or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. Purshottam Bapuji Phadke to act as Huzar Deputy Collector, Sholapur, during the absence on pending [illegible] Vishnu Raghunath Kelkar, L.C.E., or [illegible]

Mr. E. L. Moyser, I. C. S., has been allowed an extension of leave on medical certificate for five months.

Mr. C. A. Beyts, I. C. S., on relief, to act as Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, Mr. V. M. Ferrers, I. C. S., continuing to act as Deputy Commissioner, Upper Sind Frontier, pending further orders.

The Honourable Mr. M. C. Gibb, I. C. S., Acting Commissioner, Central Division, is granted such privilege leave as may be due to him on the date on which he may be relieved, in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to two years.

Mr. W. T. Morison, I. C. S., to act as Commissioner of Customs, Opium and Abkari and Reporter-General of External Commerce.

The Honourable Mr. A. C. Logan, I. C. S., on relief, to act as Commissioner, Central Division, vice the Honourable Mr. M. C. Gibb, LL.B. (Cantab.), I. C. S., proceeding on leave.

The services of Mr. M. Hesketh, M.A. (Oxon.), are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Government of India.

Mr. J. U. Fairbairn to be member of the Bombay Boiler Commission vice Mr. W. Birkett, resigned

Captain A. R. G. Newton, 2nd Battalion Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteer Rifles, is granted leave out of India for twenty-one months from 30th March.

Leave of absence out of India for twelve months is granted to Major J. W. Hawes, Bombay Volunteer Artillery, with effect from the 27th April.

NEW JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

Yesterday's *Government Gazette* gives the names of Justices of the Peace within the limits of the town of Bombay. The following are the names of new Justices :—

Adam, J. A., M. I. C. E.
Aitken, R.
Anderson, Charles.
Anderson, W. C.
Barlow, Robert.
Beaumont, Commander E. J., R. I. M.
Behramji Nowroji Gamadia, B. A.
Bell, A. M.
Bhawanishankar Balkrishna Dadarkar, L. M. S.
Collister, J. G. H., M. I. C. E.
Damodhar Lakhmidas Khimji.
DeOliveira, John Frank X., B. A., L. L. B.
Dewji Odhavji Chotane, Rao Saheb.
Don, R. A.
Doran, E. A., C. I. E.
Entboven, R. E., I. C. S.
Gulamhusein Rahimtulla Khairaz, Bar-at-Law.
Hartley, L. W.
Hasanali Mulla Hakimji, Khan Saheb.
Hopper, Captain H. A. L. R. E.
Hirachand Nemchand Javeri.
Hormasji Mancherji Cama.
Inglis, D. M.
Kaikhusru Maneckji B. Minocherhomji.
Kirtikar, Lieut.-Col. K. R., M. R. C. S. (Eng.), L. R. C. P. (Lond.), F. L. S., I. M. S. (Retired).
Lafond, Hugh Alfred.
Lattey, W. A. M.
Liston, Captain W. G., M. B., I. M. S.
Logan, The Hon'ble M. A. C., I. C. S.
Mangan, W. S.
Mathuradas Goculdas.
Munshi Mahomed Hasan Makba
Rustom D. N. Wadia, M.A., Bar.-at-Law.
Syed Shamsuddin Syed Mia Kadri, B.A.
Shamsudin Abbas Tyabji.
Shelley, Major A. D. G., R.E. (Retired).
Stringfellow, H. P.
Swinton, Major F. E., I.M.S.
Tansukbram Mansukbram Tripathi, B.
Thomas, G. A., B. A. (Cantab.), I.C.S.
Tickell, J. R.
Treble, H.
Wadia, N. N.
Westropp, A. A., I.C.S.
Wilson, C. H. C.I.E

Some one in America who has written a biography of Mr. Jerome, the New York District Attorney, says that he has only to enter a room where other "spell-binders" are at work in order to reduce them to silence. "The man," says the biographer, "for whom the people have been waiting begins to speak. He does not wear the frock coat of oratory, he does not gesture, and his hands are probably in his pockets. But he looks straight at his audience with a pair of wonderfully cool and steady eyes behind his glasses." As he approaches the particular message which he has for that evening, his words begin to come almost raspingly. He is giving his hearers a few minutes of the plainest kind of talk on some vital point which everybody else is dodging.

Advice to Mothers.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly, harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

PUBLIC COMPANY MEETING.

THE KOHINOOR MILLS.

The Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Kohinoor Mills Company, Limited, was held yesterday at 4-5 P.M. in the registered office of the Company, Apollo Street. Mr. H. E. E. Procter in the Chair.

The following Report of the Directors was submitted at the meeting :—

"In submitting their Report and Statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December 1906, your Directors are able to put before you the best results your mill has yet attained. The prices of yarn have been well maintained during the year, leaving good margins between cotton and yarn, and the result of the year's working shows a profit of Rs. 7,00,266-11-4 including Rs. 155-9-2 brought forward from the last year.

After deducting the agents' commission and Rs. 80,000 "ad interim" dividend paid for the first six months, there remains Rs. 5,50,255-9-10 which your Directors propose disposing of as follows : to dividend of Rs. 35 per share, free of income-tax, for the past six months, making 12 per cent, for the year Rs. 1,12,000 ; to Depreciation of machinery and building Rs.1,80,000; to Reserve Fund account Rs. 2,50,000 ; to bonus to Mill Staff Rs. 7,000 ; carried forward to next year's account Rs 1,255 ; total Rs. 5,50,255.

The above amount transferred to Reserve Fund brings that Fund up to Rs. 5,00,000. As stated in your Directors' report last year, your Directors had decided to put in 500 looms, and to pay for them out of the profits instead of raising further capital. Owing to the unfavourable prices of machinery and the general increase in the cost of building and also seeing the good prices that your mill was obtaining for yarn, your Directors have not yet placed the order for the looms, but are for the present using the above amount as working capital and keeping it available for adding the looms when a favourable opportunity occurs. Your Directors have also too inform you that the production of your mill has been sold up to the end of June next and cotton secured at prices which should show a fair result. Four Hopper feeding machines were brought and erected during the past year and are now working satisfactorily. The profits and fixed charges for 1907 have been insured for £30,000 at Lloyds. Your mill and stocks of cotton and yarn have been insured against fire for Rs. 17,70,400 and your machinery for £104,430. Mr. Narandas Purshotamdas, who retires by rotation from the Board of Directors, offers himself for re-election.

The chairman, in moving the adoption of the Report, said :—"In proposing the adoption of your Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906, which, having been circulated to you, I would ask you to take as read, there is not much I can add to the information contained in the Report The year under review has been the most prosperous one your mill has experienced since it was started, and I think you will agree with me that the results are most satisfactory. The outlook for the future is, however, not so good owing to the markets in China being overstocked, and, as you are probably aware, there is a strong movement in Bombay in favour of short time in order to relieve the situation. I think, therefore, you will agree with me that the recommendation of your Directors to put aside a large amount to Depreciation and Reserve is only common prudence, and I feel sure it will have your support. The Depreciation Account, after including the amount proposed to be set aside from last year's profit will amount to Rs. 7,55,000, which is just about 5⅗o on the machinery and 2 ½o on the building since the mill was started. In addition to this there will be an amount of 5 lacs in the Reserve Fund available for the purchase of looms when your Directors consider it is a right time to put them in and which at present is available for Working Capital. When I addressed you last year I stated that it was the intention of your Directors to put in 500 looms immediately, but they subsequently decided to defer this owing to the excellent profits the mill was making out of yarn and also on account of the high prices asked for machinery and the difficulty of getting prompt delivery. The question, however, will be kept prominently before your Directors, and I feel sure you can with confidence leave the question as to when looms should be ordered in their hands. I should like to express my appreciation of the excellent work done by Mr. H. E. Gawthorn, your Manager, and his staff, and to say that in my opinion the excellent results now before you are largely due to his care and foresight."

The Report was adopted and resolutions in terms thereof were passed. The customary compliment to the chair brought the proceedings to a close.

In moving a vote of thanks to the chairman Mr. Shapurji B. Broacha said that his Lordship the present Chief Justice. But it is certain that most of the former Chief Justices of the High Court were gifted with that remarkable constructive genius for reform of legal procedure with which the present Chief Justice happily is endowed. And his Lordship will lay the public of Bombay under the deepest obligation if his Lordship will be pleased to consider the reform of the constitution of the Full Court,—Yours, &c.,

H. N. W.

deserved their best thanks. He was shortly to proceed to Europe on a well-earned holiday and it was with pleasure that he wished him every prosperity and *bon* voyage.

Mr. Dwarkadas Dharamsi said that Mr. Proctor had really earned their gratitude by his able and careful management and he hoped the vote of thanks would be carried by acclamation.

THE CENTRAL INDIA MINING COMPANY.

The Fourth Ordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Central India Mining Company, Limited, was held yesterday afternoon at 4-30, in the registered office of the Company, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay. Mr. H. E. E. Procter presiding.

The following Report of the Directors was presented at the meeting :—"Your Directors beg to submit their Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906, which they trust you will consider satisfactory. The quantity of ore despatched from the mines during 1906 was 70,993 tons, showing a considerable increase over the amount despatched during 1905, and provided a proper supply of wagons is available, your Directors trust that the amount will be considerably increased during the present year. During the past year the capital expenditure has been very heavy owing to the construction of the light railways referred to in their last report. The line between Kachoorwahee and Tharsa has been extended to a mine belonging to the Central Provinces Prospecting Syndicate, and your Directors have entered into a contract to carry the ore from that mine to Tharsa. Up to December last the amount so carried was 32,623 tons. The Bhandara Tramways have been nearly completed, and it is hoped that all your mines in that District will be connected by the end of next month. Ore is now carted to rail-head and despatched by rail to Tumsur Road. Although the expenditure has been heavy on these lines, your Directors feel that it is amply justified, as they have already been offered large quantities of ore for carriage in addition to that produced at your mines and they anticipate, when the line is in full working order, that in addition to your own ore they will be able to carry large quantities for other parties. Your Directors regret to report that, during the rains last year which were phenomenally heavy, the bridge over the Soor River on the Managaon Tharsa Line was carried away, and this stopped despatches for some time. It was replaced as soon as possible by a low-level bridge and your Engineer is now considering the best plan for dealing with this River as well as with the Bhuwanthuree on the Bhandara Line for the coming monsoon. The nett profits for the year, after deducting interest on the debentures amount to Rs. 2,46,188-9-3, including the balance of Rs. 221-4-8 brought forward from last year, and your Directors propose to dispose of it as follows :—to Dividend at the rate of 25 per cent per annum, free of Income Tax Rs. 1,00,000 ; to Depreciation of Block Account Rs. 1,40,000 ; bonus to staff Rs. 3,500 ; To carry forward Rs. 2,682-9-3 ; total Rs. 2,46,188-9-3. The stocks on the 31st December, 1906, amounting to 12,403 tons in Bombay and 23,734 tons at the mines and stations have been taken at their cost price. Your Directors are glad to report that the production has been well sold ahead and they trust that the present year will show a considerably better result than the last one, provided a proper supply of wagons is forthcoming. During the last two months there has been great difficulty in this direction and for many days there have been no wagons available. This has resulted in considerable delay and caused your Agents much trouble in fulfilling their engagements. The matter has been very strongly represented to the Railway Board and the Government of India and your Directors hope that, from now onwards, they will obtain a better supply of wagons At the same time, the supply is so uncertain that they are unable, although they have the ore available at their stations on the G. I. P. Railway, to make any further sales at present. Mr. Charles Aubert has joined the Board during Mr. Charles Jambon's absence from India. Mr. Narandas Purshotamdas retires from the Board by rotation, but is eligible for re-election.

In proposing the adoption of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1906, the Chairman said :—"I do not think there is much to add to the information contained in the Report. During the past year there has been a certain amount of difficulty in obtaining the labour required to work your various deposits, but the chief difficulty has been in the matter of transport. As far as the question of transporting the ore between your deposits and the Railway is concerned, this has been practically overcome by the Tram-lines already constructed, and which should be working throughout before the coming monsoon. The wagon question, however, is a more difficult one, and I am afraid there is bound to be a scarcity of wagons for some time to come, as all the Railways are suffering from the same cause and it is, of course, impossible to remedy it all at once. The supply has been better for the last few weeks and I feel sure the Railway Companies will do all in their power to meet our requirements, so that I trust by next year the rolling stock will be sufficiently increased as to meet the growing requirements of this and other trades. As stated in the Report, the capital expenditure during the past year has been exceptionally heavy, but as it has practically all been incurred over the Light Railways, which mean a considerable reduction in the carting expenses as well as increased income from carrying other people's ore, I think you will agree with me that the expenditure was not only justified but very desirable. When we have got a further quantity of wagons we hope to carry a very large quantity of ore on the Railway. I may mention that your agents are in communication with the Government of the Central Provinces with a view to extending your Bhandara Line up to Katungi and if these negotiations result satisfactorily, it should mean a still large carrying trade for your Company. I should like to express my warm appreciation of the way in which your Manager, Mr. H. D. Coggan, has carried out his duties during the past year. It is no small work supervising the many deposits now worked by us, spread over, as they are, such a large area, but when to this is added the construction of 36 miles of Light Railway at the same time, the task becomes a very heavy one, and I consider the Company are very fortunate in possessing a Manager of Mr. Coggan's ability and energy. He has now gone to England on 4 months' leave, which he has thoroughly earned in your service. Your thanks are also due to the other members of your staff, all of whom have worked very well, and I have no hesitation in saying that they thoroughly deserve the bonuses which your Directors have proposed."

The Report was adopted and other resolutions in terms thereof were carried. The usual vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the proceedings.

MADHAVJI DHARAMSI MANUFACTURING CO.

EXTRAORDINARY DIVIDEND.

Mr. Mathuradas Goculdass presided at the Fourteenth Ordinary General Meeting of the Mahowji Dharamsi Manufacturing Company, Limited, held yesterday afternoon, when the following Directors' report, was submitted :—"The Directors of the Madhavji Dharamsi Manufacturing Company, Limited, have the pleasure to submit to the Shareholders of the Company their Fourteenth Report for the year ended 31st December, 1906, together with the audited statements of accounts for the two half-years ended 30th June and 31st December, 1906. During the year under report the Directors ordered out 15 Ring Frames of Messrs. Tweedale and Smalley's make of which 7 frames have already arrived from England and been erected into the mills. Your Directors have since their last report added one more calender in connection with the dyeing and bleaching department. They have also added a good number of dhobies, and they hope that they would assist a great deal in bringing about advantageous results. The profit and loss accounts of the Company for the year shows that the year shows that the Company has made during the year under report the net profit of Rs. 6,20,016-6-11, which together with the amount of Rs. 85,436-3-3 brought forward from the last year's account becomes Rs. 7,05,452-10-2, After deducting from this amount the Agents' Commission for the year viz., Rs. 83,073-5-3, the balance of Rs. 6,22,379-4-11 remains at the credit of the Profit and Loss Account which your Directors propose to apportion as follows:—To pay a dividend to the Shareholders at the rate of Rs. 175 per Share equivalent to 35 per cent. Rs. 4,20,000 ; to carry to Reserve Fund account Rs. 1,00,000 ; to carry to Depreciation Fund account Rs. 1,00,000 ; to carry forward to next year account Rs. 2,379-4-11 ; total Rs. 6,22,379-4-11. One of your Directors, Mr. Bhagwandas Chatoobhoj, retires from the Board by rotation, but is eligible for re-election. You are requested to appoint an Auditor or Auditors for the current year and to fix his or their remuneration. Your mill, building, machinery and stock-in-trade is insured for Rs. 28,47,100.

The above Report was adopted, and resolutions in terms thereof were carried.

THE SMALL CAUSES COURT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Mr. R. M. Patel, the late Chief Judge of the Court, has left the Court and its practice and procedure in the very condition in which possibly he found it when he joined the Court 33 years ago, but in which certainly he found it, when he came to the Bench 13 years ago, though both need radical and drastic reforms in many points. It is a pity that during his chiefship of the Court the Hon'ble the Chief Justice was not invited to visit the Full or Appellate Court of the Court when at work, though his Lordship was pleased to pay a visit in Mr. Patel's company to the Courts of the different Judges of the Court when the Full Court was not sitting, about this time last year. The Ben h of the High Court of Bombay has never had the good fortune of being adorned by a stronger, abler, and more efficient Chief Justice than his Lordship the present Chief Justice. But it is certain that most of the former

BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The following is a preliminary list of business to be brought forward at a meeting of the Council of the Governor of Bombay for making laws and regulations to be held in the Council Hall, Secretariat, Bombay, on Thursday, the 18th April, at 12-30 p.m.

I.—Questions asked by Honourable Members:—

II.—Papers to be presented to the Council :—

1. Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider Bill No. 1 of 1907 (a Bill further to amend the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, 1879).

III.—Bills and orders of the day :—

1. A Bill further to amend the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act, 1879—*Second Reading.*

2. A Bill further to amend the Bombay Tramways Act, 1874—*Second Reading.*

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

Bombay "Government Gazette," April 4.

BY HIS MAJESTY'S HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE.

Mr Vishnu Bajaji Virkar, B A, L L B, to practise as a Pleader in the Thana Dist.

Mr Vishnu Vyankatesh Deshpande, B A, L L B, to practise as a Pleader in the Belgaum Dist.

BY THE COMMISSIONERS.

Northern Division.

The following transfers of Mamlatdars are ordered :—Mr Dosabhai Dhanjibhai Bilimoria, B. A., to do duty as Mamlatdar and Magte, First Class, Kaioi, vice Mr Gopalji Gulabbhai Desai, B. A., pending further orders and to draw the Magisterial allowance. Mr Narbheram Mancharam Joshi to do duty as Resident Magte, Borsad, during the deputation of Mr Bilimoria, or pending further orders. Mr Maganlal Bhaidas Lalaji, B A, to act as Mamlatdar, Olpad, during the absence of Mr Joshi, or pending further orders. Mr Keshavlal Girdharlal Trivedi, on return from special duty, to do duty as Mamlatdar of Nadiad. Mr Maneklal Vrijbukhandas Mehta, on relief by Mr Kasanji Ranchhodji Naik, to do duty as Mamlatdar of Murbad Mr Kasanji Ranchhodji Naik, on return from leave, to do duty at Mehmadabad, and Mr Rangildas Girdharlal to do duty as Mamlatdar of Godhra, relieving Mr. Jamnaprasad who is posted to Ankleswar.

Mr Makanji Kasanji, Aval Karkun, Bardoli, is appointed to act as Mamlatdar of that taluka during the absence of Mr Yeshwagt Laxman Dhekne on privilege leave for six weeks.

Central Division.

Mr Shrikrisha Khanderao Bengali, First Grade Mamlatdar, is relieved of the special duty for the preparation of the programme of village works in the Ahmednagar Dist and is granted privilege leave for two months. On the termination of this leave Mr Bengali is posted to the Kopargaon Taluka in the same dist vice Mr Mahadev Trimbak Chiplunkar, retiring.

Mr Gangadhar Gopal Gokhale, Head Karkun taluka Ahmednagar, is appointed to act as Mamlatdar of the Kopargaon Taluka during the absence of Mr Bengali on privilege leave, or pending further orders.

BY THE COMMISSIONER IN SIND.

Marine Department.

Mr B F Jones to be a member of the Board of Trustees for the Port of Karachi during the absence on leave of the Hon Mr M de P Webb, C. I. E.

BY DISTRICT MAGISTRATES.

A'zym Sakharam Bandhuji Vaidya, acting Aval Karkun and Magte, third class, taluka Dahanu, dist Thana, is invested with the additional powers :—

Mr Ganesh Balwant Jagade, acting City Magte, Poona, is empowered to transfer cases under section 192, Criminal Procedure Code.

BY COLLECTORS.

Mr R S Udopi, Head Karkun, Kamta, is appointde acting Mahalkari of Supa vice Mr S K Nadkarni on deputation as acting Mamlatdar of Yellapur.

Mr Manishankar Manchharam Joshi, Mamlatdar on special duty took charge of his duties here on the 25th March.

SPORTING NEWS.

JUBBULPORE RACES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

JUBBULPORE, APRIL 4

Well framed handicaps helped greatly to provide an excellent day's sport with close finishes out of very open issues. The fortunes of the day were fairly well divided between backers of favorites and outsiders. Colonel Rundle won back his purchase money of Benhur of the night previous and her lottery further covered the buying price at the sale after the race.

The increasing popularity of this fixture is evidenced by the number of visitors from remote parts of the Punjab and the Bombay Presidency and all are agreed that its rising position is due to the exertions of Captain Hughes. One of the features of the day was the riding of Mr. Tomkinson of the Royal Dragoons and his wins and placings to-day were entirely due to his cool head and good judgment. To that exaggeration I may say that he can claim to rank with the best of our gentlemen riders. There is some prospect of an extra day's racing on Monday.

ARAB HANDICAP.

Captain Hill's Cinque Ports, 9st 13lbs...Mr McCall 1
Mr Scott's Bahar, 9st 2lbs (carried 9st 5lbs) Captain Hughes 2
Mr Morrison's Nawar, 10st 7lbs.....Capt Meynell 3

Betting :—Evens Cinque Ports ; 6 to 4 against Bahar and 2 to 1 Nawar.

The Race :—Nawar made the running, followed in order by Bahar and Cinque Ports ; then from the half mile Cinque Ports overhauled Bahar and catching Nawar at the three furlongs, soon drew to the front, and though Babar coming again in the run home challenged Cinque Ports and stayed him out and won in a couple of lengths with ten lengths between the second and third. Time.—1 min. and 57 3-5 seconds.

SELLING PLATE.

Colonel Rundle's Benhur, Rs 400, 8st 12lbs, Northmore 1
Captain F Wilson's Speculation, Rs 600, 10st 7lbs.....Captain Cusson 2
Mr Willan's Duchess, Rs 600, 10st 13lbs, (carried 11st 2lbs).....Captain Hughes 3

Also ran—Lady Wheeler, Rs 400, 9st 3lbs.

Betting—Evens Lady Wheeler ; 3 to 1 against Duchess ; 4 to 1 Speculation and 6 to 1 Benhur

The Race—Duchess and Benhur got off with the lead and raced level to the quarter mile where Duchess was tiring and Benhur drawing away won by three lengths, Speculation overhauling Duchess in the rails and securing second place by a neck.

Time.—1 min. and 11 2-5 seconds.

The winner was put up for sale and was bought in for Rs. 500 over his entered price.

JUBBULPORE STEEPLECHASE.

Capt. Grant's Madeira, 11st 7lbs.. Mr Tomkinson 1
Mr Henry's Haut-boy, 11st 7lbs. Captain Johnston 2
Mr. F Bryant's Rebenu, 11st.....Mr Cawsnay 3

Also ran.—Daroji 11st and Rupebu 10st.

Betting—2 to 1 on Madeira ; 2 to 1 against Haut-boy ; 3 to 1 Daroji ; 5 to 1 the others.

The Race.—Haut-boy attended by Madeira and Reform went to the head of affairs with the other two lying far in the rear and early were out of the hunt. Three fields from home Madeira went up to Haut-boy and the pair raced abreast till after landing over the last fence, Madeira stayed out with a tight finish in the run home and won by a length.

Time.—3 min. and 21 seconds.

GARRISON CUP.

Mr. Scott's Pat C, 12st 4lbs.....Captain Meynell 1
Mr. Locke's Quick-Remedy 10st 7lbs Mr Tomkinson 2
Mr. McCall's Mademoiselle 9st .....Owner 3

Also ran.—Kathleen 10st 12lbs, Black Pearl 9st 5lbs and Syren 8st 4lbs.

Betting :—Evens Pat C ; 2 to 1 against each Kathleen II and Mademoiselle 3 to 1, Quick Remedy ; 6 to 1 the others.

The Race—Quick Remedy attended by Kathleen II and Syren drew out from a good start and led Then after a couple of furlongs Syren fell back and shortly Pat C. joined Kathleen close in the wake of Quick Remedy, till from the distance Pat C. challenged the leader and drawing out in the rails won by one and half length with a neck between the second and Mademoiselle who from being last, came up in the straight with a tremendous Rush Time—1 min. and 39 secs.

SEHORA PLATE.

Mr Scott's Sweet Sound 10st 9lbs...Mr Tomkinson 1
Mr. Hudson's Dame Fortune, 9st 7lbs...Mr McCall 2
Captain Casson's Curfew, 10st 5lb.....Owner 3

Also ran.—Free Lance 11st 12lbs ; Dick Cunningham 8st 12lbs and Caroline 8st 9lbs.

Betting 2 to 1 on Free Lance ; 2 two 1 against Sweet Sound ; 4 to 1 Curfew and Dame Fortune and 8 to 1 the others.

The Race—From a good start Dame Fortune and Curfew went to the front and raced abreast to three furlongs where Dame Fortune shook off Curfew. Then after turning into the straight Sweet Sound drew up to Dame Fortune and a great race home ensued, Sweet Sound securing the verdict by half a length with one length between the 2nd and 3rd.—Time 1min. 43 4/5 seconds.

MARGUI BOOKS PLATE.

Mr. Scott's Bahar, 9st 4lbs.....Bechan 1
Captain Marriott's Wily, 10st 7lbs (carried 10st 8lbs).....Mr. Nimmo 2
Mr. Cooks' Betty, 9st 9lbs.....Captain Hughes 3

Also Ran :—[illegible] Titus 7st 6lbs ; (carried 7st 10lbs) [illegible] Cortolvin 8st 7lbs (carried 8st 3lbs).

Betting :—2 to 1 [illegible] Betty ; 3 to 1 Babar, 4 to 1 F Eager [illegible] 6 to 1 Tommy Titus ; 10 to 1 Cortolvin.

The Race :—[illegible] once rushed to the front followed [illegible] and Wily and Betty in a bunch with [illegible] two in the rear. Then from the three [illegible] caught up and passed Tommy Titus [illegible] latter shortly fell back. Then from the [illegible] Babar coming through challenged Wily and staying him out won by three quarters of a length with half a length between the others. Time—1 min 24 4/5 secs.

DEHRA DUN SPORTS.

Graced by His Excellency and Party.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CAMP, APRIL 4.

The Viceroy, Lady Violet and Colonel Dunlop Smith rode out last evening dropping in at the Imperial Cadet Polo Ground and witnessing the three-mile foot race before a large gathering of Officers, Ladies and Gurkhas between a naik of the 2nd Gurkhas, Champion for Bengal, who won it at Agra and a man of the 5th Gurkhas Punjab Champion, 9th Gurkhas, attended by Jit Bahadur of the 2nd Gurkhas who won by 20 yards in 12 minutes five seconds leading throughout.

His Excellency and Lady Violet followed the race with the keenest interest from start to finish. Afterwards the party stayed some time watching the polo match in which a D. C. S. took part.

THE SELLING PLATE.

With regard to the Selling Plate run at 13th Extra Meeting on 23rd ultimo, will you kindly mention in your paper that Court Martial has been disqualified and that the placings are :—

Canter..... 1
Chum Chuman..... 2
Namoos..... 3

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Holloway's Pills. Cure for Indigestion. Indigestion, with torpidity of the liver is the curse of thousands, who spends each day with accumulated sufferings, all of which may be avoided by taking Holloway's Pills according to their accompanying directions. They strengthen and invigorate every organ subservient to digestion. Their action is purifying, healing and strengthening. They may be safely taken without interfering with ordinary pursuits, or requiring much restriction in diet. They quickly remove noise and giddiness in the head, and dispel low spirits and nervous fears. These balsamic Pills work the cure without debilitating or exhausting the system ; on the contrary, they conserve and support the vital principle by substituting pure for impure blood.

NIZAM COLLEGE FOOT-BALL TOURNAMENT.

Finals.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD, MARCH 30.

A vast concourse of spectators lined the ropes, on the Nizam College grounds, to witness the final match in the above tournament yesterday, between the Alexandra Institute and the Nizam College, the presence of the Prince being an additional incentive for a large attendance.

An unusual amount of interest was centred in this match, and much speculation was rife as to its result, The Nizam College, which has established a great reputation for invincibility among local school teams, had a strong following among the gathering, and it was generally believed the Alexandrites were in for a woeful drubbing, but, much to the surprise of all, the College team literally fell to pieces, none of the team being up to his usual form.

Play commenced punctually at 5-15, Mr. W. Bayley again officiating as Referee.

During the first few minutes of the game, play was of a loose and straggling description.

As time went on, however, both sides warmed to their work and some smart runs on the part of both were witnessed, although no advantage was gained by either side.

The Alexandra left wing made a good run down the field, but was unfortunately offside.

From the penalty which resulted, the Alexandrites did a quick rush down into their opponents' territory, but, no one being on the ball, Kutub Ali, the College Custodian, picked up smartly and cleared, thus stopping a dangerous rush. At this point in the game a foul was given against the Alexandra Institute from which, however, the College failed to score. From a throw in, Zain-ud-din, their half back, did a high pass to the centre, which was run up smartly to the visitors' goal, but the goalkeeper cleared easily Several good runs by Hassan, the Alexandra left wing, supported smartly by Abdul Kalil now created some excitement, but they failed to penetrate the College nets. The College Forwards retaliated but the defence of the Alexandrites was very sound, and the College had to retire, beaten in their several attempts to score. When half time sounded no goals had been scored by either side. On resumption of play, the College forced the pace repeatedly rushing the ball down into the vicinity of their adversaries' goal, but with no effect. Pestonjif gaining possession of the leather, put in a spirited, rush, but was unfortunate in being offside.

The College, taking the kick, attempted a vigorous rush, which, however, was staved off by the opposing back pluckily heading out the ball.

The Alexandrites next invaded the enemy's country several times but failed to register anything. A corner was given against the Institute from which however nothing materialised.

The Institute now obtained possession of the ball and rushed down the field, but the College Custodian saved in fine style. A clever long shot by Hassan, their leftwing was also cleared by goal. The redoubtable Hassan was however again to the fore, putting in a splendid shoot from corner, which this time beat the opposing goal-keeper. His performance was loudly applauded by the on-lookers.

The College men were now on their mettle and their attempts to score became furious. But no goals resulted from their erratic and unscientific rushes. The passing of the Institute was now distinctly good and their Pestonji did a fine spirit and lodged the ball in the net amid rounds of applause.

The Nizam College clearly seemed to have lost heart and another goal was nearly registered against them, but Khurshed Mirza, the left back, cleared the ball in the nick of time.

The score at the close of the game was :—

Alexandra Institute... ... 2 goals.
Nizam College... ... ... nil.

The Alexandra Institute fairly earned their trophy and the team deserves great credit for the good display they made, although pitted against such a strong team as the Nizam College.

The winning teams and most of the visitors and *hoi polloi* then repaired to the Shamianah from under which the Prince, Sir Salar Jung and the principal guests of the evening watched the game. Mr. E. A. Seaton, the Principal of the Nizam College, before asking H. E. the Prince to make the presentation, addressed the teams :—"Gentlemen, I must first give you a history of the Shield. It was won the first two years by the College, then St. George's Grammar School got it, then the next two years it was held by the College, and now the Alexandra School was the proud possessor of it." He congratulated them on their success. Some of them were, he said, old friends of his, especially Mr. Pestonji (the Captain). He was an old College player as he looked when playing against him on several occasions. He also thanked the Prince for his presence there.

The Alexandra Institute would have to win the Shield two more years before they could keep it. The Shield was then handed to the Captain of the winning team, Mr. Seaton telling him to mind and bring it back next year.

Three cheers were next called for the Nizam and the Prince, which the latter acknowledged with a gracious bow, Mr. Seaton, the Alexandra Institute and last but not least, Mr. Prendagast, the Honorary Secretary, who had so ably managed the Tournament.

CRICKET OR WICKEDNESS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Every real cricketer will be extremely pained to learn how the Hindu vs. Presidency matches have become the instrument in the hands of the Hindu publicists of spreading the usual cry of equality if not positive superiority of *Hindus* (not Indians) over not only Englishmen but all Europeans in each and every branch. Not to speak of all the rant nonsense given out by penny-a-liners. I ball quote only two :—

1. Vividhadnya Vistara (*i. e.*, spread of various knowledge) the oldest (36 years) most moderate monthly conducted by the *literati* of the presidency for the first time of its existence in the editorial of its No. III Vol, XXXV says : "It was hitherto believed that high qualities, such as order, obedience, capacity to govern, rising to the occasion penetration and self-restraint, &c., &c., were possessed by the Europeans and pre-eminently by the Englishmen not only over the Hindus but above all Asiatics. This success has beyond the shadow of a doubt shattered this idea.

"The importance of the success of the Hindus does not end here. Its effects are far-reaching." "The success achieved by these young men may be said to be a National work."

2. The Nasik Monoranjan (Monthly Pleasure), the most widely circulated magazine of 12 years took up its pen re-cricket for the first time to ridicule the above magazine for its absurd generalisations last year but forsooth it has opened out its shoul

THE LADIES' CORNER.

PEARL GREY THE COLOUR FOR GLOVES.

WHITE gloves for day wear have enjoyed a long reign but it is over at last, reports a lady correspondent in Paris. White gloves will, of course, be worn all through the summer with white gowns, but otherwise the colour of the season will be grey, pale, exquisitely soft, pearl grey. I mentioned recently that some ultra-fashionable women had started the fashion of wearing pale grey gloves with white dresses, and with excellent effect; this fashion came into favour side by side with the idea of trimming white cloth with pale grey braidings and embroideries, and at Nice it has had no small success but the general rule to be observed is that white dresses need white gloves only; with dresses of other pale tints gloves of pearl-grey suede are correct. Even with white dresses white gloves are not nearly so much worn as they were last season. For the demi-toilette we shall be able to study economy this coming season, because mitten sleeves are coming in again, and with these we can—indeed, we must—wear four-buttoned gloves! The mitten-sleeves of the immediate future will reach from elbow to wrists only, and above the elbow there will be a full puff to the shoulder, but latter on we shall see a revival of the genuine mitten sleeve, made of handsome lace, which covers the whole arm and extends in a graceful point over the wrist; I know of no more becoming sleeve than this, and it looks specially well when made of fine silk guipure with delicate embroideries in silver or gold threads outlining the lace design.

EMBROIDERED LACE.

Embroidered lace is quite a rage just now, and wonderfully delicate effects are obtained by the discreet introduction of silver embroidery thread on pale, putty-coloured guipure. Gabrielle Dorziat recently appeared in an exquisite dress of putty-coloured chiffon cloth, which boasted a blouse of silver embroidered guipure. A deep band of guipure—embroidered to match the blouse—made its appearance on the hem of the skirt, and silver embroideries, worked on the cloth itself, edged this band on either side. The dress was worn with a large Lamballe hat of bottle-green felt, with the loveliest feathers falling low at the back, and under the brim, all round, quaintly-arranged puffings of taffetas ribbon. Bottle-green will be one of the leading colours of the season for millinery purposes, and long veils of bottle-green point d' Esprit, with a flat hem of chiffon, will be very fashionable. Nothing looks better with a pure white dress than a large hat of this particular shade, accompanied by one of the new veils which sweep over the back of the dress. These veils are not quite like those of last year; they are rather wider, decidedly longer, and worn very much at the back of the hat.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAM.]

SIMLA, APRIL 4.

A few falls of rain occurred in the south of the peninsula and in Eastern Bengal and Assam.

Cloud spread from the western frontier over north-west India and temperature is approximately normal in the greater part of northern India.

In Burma skies are lightly to moderately clouded, humidity normal, and temperature normal in the south but in slight to moderate defect elsewhere.

In northeast India and Orissa, Silchor reports one inch of rain, and Chittagong and Tezpur light falls. Light to moderate cloud spread over the whole of the division; Humidity is slightly below normal in Eastern Bengal and Assam; and temperature has risen and is now normal or only in slight defect.

In the United Provinces, Central India and the Central Provinces skies are clear or only lightly clouded, but in the Central Provinces humidity has increased; temperature has risen in the United Provinces, and Central India where it is nearly normal, but in the Central Provinces it continues slight to moderate in defect.

In North west India Murree reports a light fall of rain, skies are lightly to moderately clouded except in Gujarat where it is clear; and the air is damper than usual in Sind and Central East Punjab; temperature has risen in the eastern districts of division and is everywhere normal or slight in excess.

In the peninsula, Mercara had two inches of rain, Kodaikanal, Salem, and Cochin light falls, and cloud has decreased while skies are almost clear except in the south-eastern Districts. Humidity has increased in the Deccan where temperature is normal or slight to moderate in defect. Scattered falls of rain are likely in northeast India but dry weather elsewhere.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, 4TH APRIL.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been generally small and somewhat irregular.

Winds are north-westerly to south-westerly in Sind and at Sisra, Jaipur, Ahmedabad, Dwarka, Bhavnagar-Para, Veraval, Raipur, Malegaon and Madras, while north-easterly breezes or calms prevail elsewhere. The force has been rather strong at Karachi and modrate to light over the rest of the country.

Temperature.—The maximum is 6° to 8° in defect of normal at Surat, Sholapur, Bangalore, Cuddapah and Coimbatore, and the minimum 6° to 9° in defect at Nagpur, Bangalore, Bijapur, Masulipatam, Bellary and Cuddapah and 7° to 9° in excess at Lahore, Ajmer and Indore. The highest temperature in the shade was 105° at Deesa and the lowest 61° at Bangalore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is partially cloudy at Lahore, Sirsa, Allahabad, Ajmer, Akola, Madras, Coimbatore, Trichinopoly and Colombo.

Rain.—Nagpur, Cochin and Colombo report light showers.

Weather.—Conditions are slightly favourable for thunder and lightning to the south of Latitude 18°.

N. DESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

SHORTAGE OF RAILWAY WAGONS.

Acute Situation at the Mills.

The question of the supply of coal to mills and large manufacturing concerns in Calcutta and its vicinity is once more rapidly taking to itself an acute character. Some of the mills on the river, both jute and cotton, are in desperate need, and if relief is not afforded within the next day or two a wholesale closing down is feared to be inevitable.

In one or two cases it his been found that by working at moderate pressure present stocks will permit of holding on for a couple of days only, whilst in cases, where comparatively favourable conditions prevail, it is but a question of a week.

One jute mill on Saturday attempted to relieve an awkward situation by hiring dinghies to carry loads from Calcutta up the river fourteen miles; but, needless to say, very little time was required to show how impossible was this method of obtaining supplies. Complaints, both loud and bitter, are being made in some quarters; but as a result of the almost useless agitation of the past few months, millowners are beginning to accept the situation as incapable of present improvement. The result of this must mean partial, and in some cases, complete stoppage of work. In this event contracts will be delayed in completion, and heavy loss must accrue to those concerned in consequence.

This, however, is but one of the results. A more serious consequence is to the mill operator. Everybody knows that the Indian workman has passed, is indeed now passing, through a time of stress of which dearness of food is the outstanding feature. What the result will be to this unfortunate class, with half, or perhaps, no wages, and food at a third higher than normal rates may be imagined.—*Statesman.*

GERMAN STEAMER ASHORE IN THE HOOGHLY.

News was received at noon yesterday in the Port Commissioners' office by telephone from Budge that the German steamer "Kattenturm" was ashore at Melancholy Point about five miles from Calcutta. The Deputy Conservator sent immediate assistance by ordering the tug Rescue down in charge of an Assistant Harbour Master with boats and everything that was necessary. The steamer "Kattenturm" was loaded to 25 feet three inches, with a general cargo of jute, hides, shellac, tea, etc., for Hamburg and Bremen and was in pilotage charge of Branch Pilot E. O. Manning. The steamer "Kattenturm" was floated when the flood had made and has come back to Garden Reach and is now lying in No. 2 Garden Reach Moorings. She had a heavy list to port probably due to her coal having shifted, but as she is now moored for a few days there will be plenty of time to have her carefully examined by Lloyds Surveyor before she goes to sea again; she will no doubt have to discharge some of her cargo.

The steamer "Kattenturm" is a new steamer on her first voyage built in Sunderland in 1906, she is 6,040 tons gross register, 400 feet long, 50 feet 6 inches beam, and owned by the Hansa Line. Her local agents are Messrs Graham and Co.—*Englishman* (April 5).

BY THE WAY.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURE.

THE General Board of Studies at Cambridge has decided to continue the efforts that have been made of late years to encourage the study of agriculture. In 1899 the Drapers' Company generously provided £800 a year for ten years for the stipend of the Professor of Agriculture. Much good work has been done under Professor Middleton's guidance since then. Now the Drapers' Company has decided to continue its grants of £800 a year for another ten years, and the Chair is to be entitled the Drapers' Professorship of Agriculture. Professor Middleton is resigning his position to take up the assistant-secretaryship of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, but it is hoped that under his successor the course of Agriculture will be as attractive as ever.

A FIELD FOR NATURALISTS.

A scientific survey of the island of Lambay, which lies in the Irish Sea, has recently been made at the instance of its present owner, the Hon. Cecil Baring, brother of Lord Revelstoke. It was carried out by a party of working naturalists, and the survey is described as the most complete yet undertaken of any island in Europe. The results show that five Lambay species are new to science; twelve other animals are new to the British fauna, and between eighty and ninety species are additions to the fauna and flora of Ireland. The grey seal has its home and breeding-place there, and no fewer than eighty-five species of birds inhabit the island. It is to be hoped that this striking result of a survey of so small an island as Lambay will lead to similar work in the many other islands off our coasts.

A PILLGRIMAGE PEACE.

Mr. Stead in the same article suggests a pilgrimage of peace. He thinks the Peace Congress at New York in April should nominate as the unofficial representives of the people of the United States nine men and three women who should form the nucleus of an international pilgrimage. At London they would be joined by twelve more pilgrims and twelve from Scandinavia, men and women whose names are of international repute. Thence they would proceed to Paris, where they would be joined by twelve more, and on to Rome, Vienna, Budapest, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Berlin, Brussels, and then to the Hague. Everywhere they would appeal to the Governments and the peoples to make the most of the Conference at The Hague for peace and international fraternity.

THE EFFECT OF SUCH AN APPEAL.

There is not, Mr. Stead goes on to say, a book or corner in the civilised world where the pilgrimage, the men and women who composed it, their aspirations and their demands, would not have been subjects of eager debate. In every capital their arrival would have been the signal for a popular fete. As a subject of living interest they would monopolise the news papers. Their silent argument of their presence, their association in one great international pilgrimage would in itself be one of the most eloquent of arguments. But they would not be silent. A more articulate crowd than they would be has probably never been assembled on this planet. Why, asks Mr. Stead, should not this brilliant ideal of what might be become real, to the great benefit of mankind, in the coming May?

PEL AM AND MOMMSEN.

"He was so essentially a journalist that had not time failed him, he would certainly have boiled down into a popular manual the entire body of Greek philosophy." So, in his earlier estimate of Cicero, the great Professor Mommsen. That in later issues of his monumental history this estimate is much toned down was due originally to the wholesome influence upon the fiery Prussian pundit of the lately departed President of Trinity, Oxford, Between Theodore Mommsen and Henry Francis Pelham there existed a warmer friendship than is common in the case of two scholars, agreed, perhaps, in many of their methods but diametrically differing on personal points of temper and taste. When the two men first knew each other, Pelham was conversationally as distrustful of his German as was Mommsen of his English. They talked, therefore, much in the same way as George I. and his Minister, Walpole—in Latin.

SURGERY FOR THE INSANE

In view of the grave increase of insanity amongst all classes of the population, much public interest attaches to a case of operative cure of in sanity recorded in the "Lancet" by Dr. Bernard Hollander, the well-known specialist in brain diseases. The patient, himself a doctor, after a fall of which there were no external marks, suffered severely from insomnia, headache, and neuralgic pains, became incapacitated from work, and his character changed completely. He became emotional, anxious, very depressed, developed suicidal ideas, grew suspicious, easily offended, irritable, and profane. He consulted different authorities, who recommended relief in change of scence by travelling; but the headache and depression only increased.

CURED IN THREE WEEKS.

After suffering for seven years and trying all possible medical treatment, the patient consulted Dr. Hollander who, diagnosing the seat of the disease in a circumscribed part of the brain, advised operation, to which the patient readily consented. On trephining, a morbid condition of the skull in this region was discovered, together with an excess of cerebro-spinal fluid, which had prevented the brain from pulsating. This was let off, and the rest of the brain having been found healthy, the wound was closed. Three weeks later the patient was quite well.

THE DISAPPEARANCE OF CITY CHURCHES.

The disappearance of the Church of St. Peter-le-Poer, in Old Broad street, to provide funds for the building of much-needed churches in the rapidly growing diocese of London, will probably be followed by the removal of many another historic City church whose site is a veritable gold-mine, and which now ministers to but a handful of worshippers. The venerable Church of All Hallows, in Lombard-street, occupies a site valued at £800,000, a sum sufficient to build and endow forty churches; and yet its average, congregation barely reaches thirty. The ground on which St. Michael's and St. Peter's stand, in Cornhill, has been assessed at £1,500,000; and yet the two parishes combined cannot muster 300 inhabitants, and the average number of worshippers would not fill a third of the seats provided by St. Michael's alone. St. Mary's Woolnoth, with 177 parishioners, and a congregation of fifty, is built on ground valued at £600,000.

LATIN AT OXFORD.

As regards the pessimistic view of the present and future of Latinity at Oxford, its single and slight justification is that the compositions sent in for the Chancellor's Latin Verse prize are less numerous now than formerly. On the other hand, there is no steady falling off either in the number of candidates for the Hertford or in the quality of their work.

JULES LEMAITRE.

M. Jules Lemaitre, whose lectures on Rousseau have been so widely reported, began life as a professor, first in a lycee at Algiers, and afterwards at the lycee at Havre, but, from the first, found time to write. His earliest articles appeared in the "XIXme Siecle," and he was one of the contributors enlisted when the "Revue Bleue" was started. He made his first great success by speaking disrespectfully of Renan, and his second by speaking disrespectfully of Georges Ohnet. The latter dissection was very pitiless, and brought remonstrances; but the critic merely shrugged his shoulders, saying, "Que voulez-vous? The man sets my nerves on edge." M. Lemaitre was also at one time a dramatic critic, representing the "Journal des Debats" in succession to J. J. Weiss, and two of his own plays have been produced at the Theatre Francais.

ST. NICHOLAS, PLUMSTEAD.

St. Nicholas, the original parish church of Plumstead which proves to have been damaged seriously by the recent explosion, is an edifice of immemorial antiquity. The present fabric has suffered lamentably from the combined neglect and vandalism of former generations; but some of the masonry may be Norman, or even Anglo-Saxon. In the churchyard are some delightful epitaphs. One of these, upon Master James Darling, "aged ten years," points a piquant moral of moderation during the fruit season to the youth of Plumstead, and of other places:

The hammer of Death was give to me
For eating the cherries off the tree.

HARD WATER.

Some at least of the water supplied to London is hard, and the *Lancet* has something to say on the subject which will interest many: It is a popular but probably wrong impression that hard drinking waters are prejudicial to the health, and, moreover, are injurious to delicate skins when used regularly for ablutionary purposes. Gout, kidney disease, and dispepsia by an interesting line of reasoning have been supposed to be due to, or aggravated by, the drinking of excessively hard water. Some mysterious connexion between the chalk of the water and the formation of "stone" in the kidney or of "chalk" in the joints in gout is a favourite speculation with many, but in the history of the world's water-supplies there is no trustworthy evidence that the drinking of hard water influences for worse these diseases. The idea is, in fact, chimerical. It may be added that a Royal Commission some ago reported that where the chief sanitary conditions prevail with tolerable uniformity the rate of mortality is practically uninfluenced by the softness or hardness of the water supplied to different towns.

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

A FABLE AND MR. HICKS.

There was once a man who, for obvious reasons, was called the Jam King. He did not attain this exalted distinction through selling the people the very best of jams. According to the legend with which I am dealing, his jams were chiefly composed of "marrow-peel coloured well with cochineal." But the Jam King had a genius for forcing his jams down the people's throats; and in that way—a very common way—they became "popular." In course of time, however (for conscience is bound, sooner or later, to make cowards of us all), this Jam King, thinking himself sufficiently secure on his throne to brave the experiment of thoroughness, turned remorsefully from his evil ways, and gave the people the genuine article. This act of retribution proved his downfall. Instead of bringing him praise and increased support, it brought him only abuse and hourly-decreasing patronage. His customers declared his jams were not the same. They had been in the habit of having a certain quality of jam from him for years; but now he had made an enormous fortune, and his wife, at the last Court, had worn more diamonds than any ten duchesses put together, he was giving them different stuff! So the people crowned somebody else the Jam King, and our unwisely-repentant friend, savagely shaking his fist in the imagined face of the proverb-maker who had got it about that it was never too late to mend, came a most amazing, irrecoverable cropper in a fruitless endeavour—the term is not unjustly chosen—to regain the public patronage by offering them the same quality of jam as of old.

THINKING SEYMOURHICKSICALLY.

Having confessed in public that his aim in life is simply and solely a commercial one, Mr. Seymour Hicks will not be offended—rather is he likely to feel flattered—if he is congratulated upon having been shrewd enough, as the Musical Comedy King, to resist those temptations of conscience which were the ruin of the Jam King. He has made, it is said, many, many thousands of pounds out of pieces of "The Beauty of Bath" class. He has brought the majority of theatre-goers into the way of believing that this is the entertainment for their money. He has taught them to think Seymourhicksically. And they have thought acted—and they are still thinking and acting—Seymourhicksically; and in such circumstances would it not be absurd of Mr. Hicks, as a self-confessed passionately enthusiastic collector of current coins, to change the quality of his wares? Why should he give his customers superior jam when they have put him on a handsomely draped pedestal for providing them with inferior? It has been pretty plainly hinted in the "notices" of "My Darling" at the Hicks Theatre that the piece is rubbish. Well, and so was the "marrow peel coloured well with cochineal." But it was a gigantic success, and the Jam King would be on his throne to-day if he hadn't been so weak as to go and fill his pots with fruit.

BILLET DOUX AND BLACKMAIL.

"Mr. Hicks will be down directly. He has only gone up-stairs to write a new musical comedy book." I forget who it was that uttered this witticism to a gentleman who called to see Mr. Seymour Hicks at the Adelphi on one. It sounds like Charles Brookfield—but it was a good joke, whoever may have been responsible for it, and it presents what I should say was a fairly correct likeness of Mr. Hicks at work on the book of *My Darling*. For it is composed of such familiar material that one can imagine an experienced man dashing it off in five-and-twenty minutes. Have we not met, scores and scores of times before, the gay young hero—of course, his name is Jack—who is betrothed at last to the only girl he ever really loved, and who is unduly disturbed (considering the age we live in) because a naughty French actress—and, of course, her name is Sylvaine—holds a bundle of affectionate letters written by him to her at a period of his career when she was the only angel on earth? Are we not familiar—some of us almost wearily so—with that first-steps-in-play writing scene where the adventuress, "who after all has a woman's heart" (*loud cheers*) transfers the incriminating correspondence from the bodice of her red silk dress to the hands of her sweet and innocent rival, thus removing for ever from the blue skies of the young lover's happiness the breach-of-promise cloud which has been threatening it? And how often have we been asked to laugh at—and how often are we to be asked to laugh at again?—the farcical distresses of the hero's doggish old father, who under the impression that his wife is safely tucked up in bed at home, goes off "on the spree" to a Continental fancy dress ball in a ridiculous dress that doesn't fit him, and makes loves to a woman who eventually turns out to be his own wife in disguise? Can you not see the good lady stamping her foot and settling her head and declaring "aside" that *she'll* give him fancy-dress ball, indeed, when she gets him home! But what does all this matter to the person—and his name is legion—who has learned to think Seymourhicksically? And why should Mr. Seymour Hicks worry about writing an original "book" when it pays him better to tell the old, old story over again? Everything at the Hicks Theatre is just as the Hicks public like it. It is the stuff for their money. Miss Marie Studholme and her famous smiles are as sweet as honey. Mr. Lytton is as breezy as the hill-tops. Mr. McArdle sticks bravely to the part of the naughty old "dad" without so much as straying half an inch over the chalk-line of tradition. And Mr. Hicks's Bath Bun Girls and Gibson Girls are quite delightful, because quite themselves, under their new name of the Butterfly Girls. It is not everybody who can run upstairs to write a musical comedy "book" and be "down directly." Here's to the longevity of Mr. Hicks's luck, and may he never know the bitterness of being cast aside by the public for making his jams of the finest fruit and the best sugar!

THE PHYSICAL ELASTICITY OF NAPOLEON.

I wonder if we have on record the tailor's measurements of Napoleon. It would be interesting to have a suit of his old clothes, and to dress up in it—in imagination merely, of course—the various actors who have impersonated the great little man on the stage within fairly recent years. It would be a strange suit that sat as easily on the shoulders of a Martin Harvey as on those of a Lewis Waller Napoleon; and surely the clothes worn in this character by the late Sir Henry Irving could be donned only with the most painful anxiety by Mr. Murray Carson! And how would Mr. Carson's or Mr. Waller's cast-off Napoleonic attire "set" on the figure of Mr. John Hare? But it is not so much with the body as with the mind and the mannerisms that the actor concerns himself when he undertakes to impersonate the historical personage. The physical elasticity of Napoleon, like the physical elasticity of Hamlet, is a matter only for the idlest thought and speculation. The stage Napoleon must by now have given up trying to be the correct size. He's Napoleon so long as he dresses like Napoleon, so long as he wears his hands behind his back like Napoleon, so long as he removes them from his back only to slap a friend's cheek like Napoleon, so long as he frowns like Napoleon, and so long as he behaves generally in an extremely unpleasant manner like Napoleon.

MR. JOHN HARE'S PERFORMANCE.

In the Pierre Berton piece at the Duke of York's, translated into The Great Conspiracy by Madeleine Lucette Ryley, Mr. John Hare answers every Napoleonic stage requirement (and probably—though this is a detail—he is nearer in stature, to Napoleon than any other actor who has impersonated the tyrant). You cannot introduce new touches into the character of Napoleon. If you do, it becomes at once the character of somebody else. And somebody else's character in the clothes of Napoleon is only a humble, fancy-dress-ball idea—just as would be a Simon Tappertit in the loincloth of Hercules. It must be a great tax upon the artistic sensibilities of an actor like Mr. John Hare to play a certain part on certain approved lines. The public go to the theatre knowing that Napoleon was in the habit of doing this thing and that thing with his hands or his eyebrows, or his epaulettes. They have seen the "quick-change artiste" at the London Pavilion do these things, and he must have been correct, because Irving did them at the Lyceum, Martin Harvey did them at the Lyric (?), Lewis Waller did them at the Imperial and Murray Carson did them at the Princess's. What is the good of being Napoleon if you are not historical? Mr. Hare, then—like the other actors—has to imitate rather than create, consequently, we do not see him at his best in "The Great Conspiracy." Still, he is an excellent Napoleon.

'MR. SHERIDAN."

Mr. Arthur Bourchier has a far more congenial task at the Garrick in Miss Gladys Unger's most attractive comedy, "Mr. Sheridan." The scope for creative work is almost limitless in a character which is known to the world by its hat or its hair, or its manner of talking or walking. Napoleon belongs now to the red-and gold realms of proteanism, like Gladstone, Sousa, Garibaldi, General Booth, Liszt, and Ally Sloper. Napoleon has, so to speak, got his telephone number at Clarkson's. Anyhow, he has got his label on his clothes box in that wonderful store of sartorial make-believe in Wardour Street to distinguish him from those other celebrities I have mentioned. Richard Brinsley Sheridan is no theatrical "reach-me-down." He is a roll of material from the whole-sale house for the actor to cut from according to his skill and to a more or less first-hand knowledge. Sheridan's personality was twenty times more interesting than any of those which live in the drawers of the "portean artiste's" gorgeously gilded toilet-table. But for all that, it is practically exclusive. If there existed a man who was the very suit of Sheridan, and he were to foot on from a screen on the Empire or the London Pavilion stage, dressed and generally made up according to the best-known portrait of the celebrated dramatist and statesman, 99 per cent. of the audience would ask themselves or their neighbours, "Who's he, anyway?"

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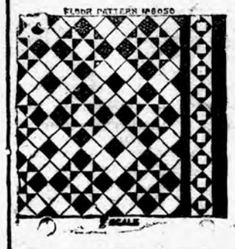

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